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VON PAPEN INTRIGUE IS SUSPECTED: SYRIA MAY BE NEXT ON LIST

Special to the "Telegraph"

ISTANBUL, May 14 (UP).—THE RETURN TO ISTANBUL OF HERR VON PAPEN THE NAZI AMBASSADOR, HAS STARTED NEW SPECULATIONS AS TO THE PURPOSE OF THE ENVOY'S SUDDEN VISIT TO BERLIN AND AS TO WHETHER HE IS TO MAKE DEMANDS ON TURKEY. WHILE NOTHING OFFICIAL IS OBTAINABLE FROM GERMAN OR TURKISH SOURCES, BEST INFORMED DIPLOMATIC QUARTERS BELIEVE THAT VON PAPEN'S REQUESTS TO TURKEY ARE SIMPLY ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL.

BRITISH FORCES STRENGTHENED

Iraq Situation Defined

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—The position in Iraq was defined by Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, in the House of Commons to-day.

CAPTOR OF HESS IS NEW HERO

But Protests He Is No Film Star

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—Officers of the Special Branch of Scotland Yard throughout the day have been checking all callers at the hospital where Rudolf Hess is detained.

A military guard also has been posted at the gates, only authorised persons being allowed to pass.

A horde of newsreel men to-day descended upon the ploughman, David McLean, and begged him to re-enact his part in the capture of Hess.

McLean declared: "I am not wanting to be a film star—I have no time to go to pictures."

When newsreel men said that they would come back later, McLean replied: "It will need to be later. A ploughman's work is never done."

Posed Ploughing

In response to their entreaties, he said: "You can take me while I am ploughing." So the cameramen staggered over the rough ploughed field and McLean, greatly amused, said to his horse: "You can think a lot more of yourself to-day, Silver."

When the photographers had finished, McLean told them: "You people coming up here and keeping me off my work has been more trouble than the German was."

Hallucinations

BASLE, May 14 (Reuter).—The letter left by Rudolf Hess contains no signs that Hess deserted in consequence of hallucinations.

According to the "Basler Nachrichten" correspondent in Berlin, this is officially stated in Berlin.

The statement, the correspondent adds, warns the public against drawing conclusions from statements.

Hess had Correspondence With Duke of Hamilton

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—Ringed in blue pencil on Rudolf Hess' map on which Hess piloted his course from Augsburg to Scotland was the ducal seat of the Duke of Hamilton in Lanarkshire.

When in the gathering dusk on Saturday night Hess made his dramatic crash landing some eight miles from Glasgow, the first thing he asked was the way to Dungavel. He had mistaken a large house which he sighted as the mansion he was seeking and, failing to find a suitable landing ground, he decided to descend by parachute.

Despite his damaged ankle, he wanted to be taken to the Duke's house which he thought was nearby. According to McLean, the ploughman who found him, Hess did not say why he wanted to see the Duke.

Big demands such as the passage of troops, the repudiation by Turkey of her alliance with Britain and the linking instead of Turkey to the tri-Power pact, may come later, if and when Turkey is more fully isolated by events which may develop in Syria and Iraq.

It is believed that it is one of von Papen's main tasks to direct German activities in these countries.

Diplomatic quarters pointed out that there are no reports indicating any extraordinary German troops concentrations on the Turkish frontier such as would be expected as a prelude to any drastic German demands.

Speculation On Next Nazi Thrust

ANKARA, May 14 (Reuter).—The main topic of conversation here is where the Germans will move next. The most favoured spot is Syria.

M. Yalcin in the newspaper "Yeni Sabah" declares that the Germans will probably try to invade Egypt via Syria but adds: "How they will try and get to Syria is their affair—in any case they will not pass through Turkey. That we know definitely."

Other newspapers carry unconfirmed reports that German bombers have arrived at Mosul.

Many people are of the opinion that Hitler is trying to persuade Admiral Darlan to convince Marshal Petain to allow German troop planes to land in Syria, from where they can proceed to Iraq.

Concentrations

Another group points out that the Germans have at present 15 divisions in Moldavia, which is more than the number there before the invasion of the Balkans, adding that the Germans are known to have concentrated large sea-going barges on the Lower Danube.

This, they regard, means that Hitler either intends to attack Russia or else to use the threat of invasion to secure concessions from M. Stalin.

The Turkish Government are regarding the situation coolly and continue to take defence measures for which the National Assembly has voted an extra credit of 15,000,000 Turkish pounds.

Advice To Americans

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—ANKARA, May 13 (Domel).—Americans residing in Turkey, Iraq, Syria, Palestine and Egypt have been advised by their Consuls to proceed immediately to the Suez Canal and embark on four American vessels now waiting there to effect their evacuation.

Little damage was done and the number of casualties was small.

The total planes destroyed in daylight on Sunday, May 11, are now stated to be six, anti-aircraft guns claiming an additional success.

One bomber was brought down over England last night.

Answers To Correspondents

"X-Word Enthusiasts": You are correct. It was a misprint in the official solution.—Ed. H.K.T.

A cheque for \$2,000 for the Bomber Fund was received this morning from Mr John Fleming.

Western Desert Operations

CAIRO, May 14 (Reuter).—Operations in the Western Desert continue to be of a shuttlecock nature, and after Monday's German thrust, British forces have taken the initiative by pressing home with mechanized patrols in the Sollum area and also harassing enemy columns surrounding Tobruk.

Military circles consider that the German thrust was planned temporarily to throw out of gear the effectiveness of the ever-increasing British armoured patrols.

Temperatures have again shot upward in North Africa and with the continued blazing sun, widespread operations have become difficult.

Military circles are confident, however, that whatever tactics the enemy chooses, they will be countered by equally vigorous assaults by the British Imperial forces.

Limited Offensive
CAIRO, May 14 (Reuter).—A limited offensive operation from Tobruk and the withdrawal of the enemy to his original position in the Sollum area are announced in a G.H.Q. communique.

The communique says: "Tobruk.—During a limited offensive operation carried out by our troops from Tobruk, two German medium tanks were captured and many casualties were inflicted on the enemy."

"In the Sollum area, the enemy has again withdrawn to his original position south and west of Sollum, where he is being continuously harassed by our mechanized patrols."

With the return of von Papen the German Ambassador, to Istanbul, attention has again been riveted on Turkey, which may be expected to indulge in closer economic collaboration with the Reich, and eventually to face even more important demands from Berlin. The accompanying map illustrates the strategic position of Turkey in the Near East.



Knowledge Of Seas Will Win War Says U.S. Envoy Winant

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—"The freedom-loving and peace-loving peoples of this earth are coming to realise that this is not Britain's fight alone," declared the United States Ambassador, Mr John Winant, addressing the English-Speaking Union luncheon in his honour to-day.

"On the wise use of the navies of the world may hang the destinies of the world's free people," Mr Winant continued.

"A kindly Providence at this time of stress and danger has placed at the heads of the two great English-speaking peoples two men whose knowledge of the seas is probably greater than that of any statesman of any time."

"The problems before them in defence of their countries are not simple problems but complicated ones. The common ideals of the English-speaking peoples of the world are not ideals from which other people are excluded; they are ideals alien in no country that loves liberty and hates tyranny."

"To-day the English-speaking peoples again are being drawn together in a struggle to preserve not only their common heritage but the common ideals of civilised men everywhere."

Totalitarian Tyranny
"With Machiavellian cunning, totalitarian tyranny has sought to divide and conquer peoples and nations who should stand together. By blackmail and terror, by intrigue and deceit, they have sought to weaken and undermine national unity in those countries whose freedom they would destroy. So far the totalitarians have been appallingly successful. Experience has proved that they have a way of keeping their threats and break their promises. One by one they have destroyed one nation after another."

Mr Eden
"For men and women of goodwill, there is only one choice. When Dictators conspire together, men and women of goodwill everywhere must act together."

Speaking on the same occasion, the Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, said that the ignominious aim for which the Germans must now suffer and die was to seek to enslave others, but this conception was the crudest fantasy. Europe would never be composed of one master and a score of subject races.

The Nazis were fighting against the natural forces of history and were seeking to reverse the flow of the rivers of time. It was, therefore, not surprising to find among the small group of men trying to impose their rule by force evidence of dissonance. In this one might find partial explanation at least of the recent parachute descent that had so much electrified the world.

World's Future
In growing Anglo-American understanding lay the greatest hope for the world's future.

Mr Eden concluded: "We share the same traditions and we share the same faith. When we say that rather than yield up the faith in which we believe, we are prepared to suffer whatever it may be that German might can impose."

QUO TAI-CHI Delays Flight

SHANGHAI, May 14 (International).—Dr Quo Tai-chi, the new Chinese Minister of Foreign Affairs, postponed his flight to Hongkong from San Francisco by the Philippine Clipper which was originally scheduled at 3 p.m. to-day, according to a San Francisco telegram received here.

Informed Chinese quarters in San Francisco said that the flight had been delayed by the minister's intention to participate in the meeting which opens the China Week on May 18 to be held by the United States associations to aid China, the message adds.

Berchtesgaden Again
LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—The recent meeting between Hitler and Admiral Darlan took place at Berchtesgaden, according to the Swiss radio quoting Vichy reports.

Herr von Ribbentrop and Field Marshal Keitel were present.

Admiral Darlan arrived by special train from Paris, accompanied by the Nazi Ambassador there, Herr Otto Abetz, and Commandant Fontaine of the French Ministry of Marine.

The Swiss announcer added that it had been unofficially stated in Vichy that Admiral Darlan would shortly go to Paris where he would have a fresh meeting with a "high German personality" with the view to putting into operation the agreement already reached in principle.

It is also reported that the Armistice Clause will be revised and that a new demarcation line will be established between the Occupied and Unoccupied zones.

Nothing definite is yet known of French concessions to Berlin but the main German idea seems to be to oppose the Anglo-Saxon industrial bloc by a European industrial bloc in which French metallurgical and mining industries would play an important part.

Former H.K. Man Killed By Nazi Bomb

The sad news has been received here of the death by enemy action of Mr Tom Hynes, aged 61, former Superintendent of Mills here and a resident of the Colony from 1904 to 1936.

Two sons and a daughter are in Hongkong and sympathy is felt for them by the many friends whom their father made during a long and active association with Colony life.

Mr Hynes joined the Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps in London early on in the war but was invalided out. Later he met Mr E. D. C. Wolfe, former Inspector General of Police in Hongkong at whose invitation he became an Air Raid Precaution warden in Kensington. The news of Mr Hynes' death was received by cable on Monday and it is thought that he was killed in the blitz on Saturday.

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Interesting Driving Judgment

Judgment for Defendant with costs was delivered by Mr. Justice P. E. F. Crossall, at the Summary Court yesterday in a claim brought by Atter Singh, of No. 17 Morrison Hill Road, against Q. W. Sing, of No. 59 Lockhart Road, for the sum of \$70 which was paid to Defendant upon a conditional order that he failed. Alternatively, Plaintiff claimed this amount as damages for the failure of the Defendant to give him sufficient tuition in motor-car driving.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland, who appeared for Plaintiff, and Mr. Kan Yuet-keung, of Deacons, for Defendant.

His Lordship said: The following are the facts which gave rise to the action: The Plaintiff, being desirous of obtaining a licence to drive a motor-car, arranged with Defendant, who is the owner of a driving school, to take a course of lessons in the mysteries of the art of driving a car in Hongkong. It was agreed, between the parties that the fee for the course should be \$55 and a sum of \$30 was paid on account. Defendant thereupon gave Plaintiff a stamped receipt worded as follows:

"To a comprehensive course of motor driving tuition until proficient to pass the Police Test for a local private car licence, inclusive of car and gasoline—fifty-five dollars (\$55). If no driving tuition is given money will be refunded. Received with thanks \$30 (thirty dollars) on account."

Conflict of Evidence

It appears that the words "limited to fifteen hours driving" were inserted by Defendant, but these were subsequently erased, presumably at the request of Plaintiff. The course was duly commenced, Plaintiff paying the balance of \$25 during the period of the course. There is a conflict of evidence as to the actual number of lessons given. Plaintiff alleging that he received only eight, of roughly 15-20 minutes duration each, during a period of about 30 days, while Defendant insists that he was given 15 to 20 lessons of a minimum period of 30 minutes each. Be that as it may, the fact remains that on October 30, Plaintiff presented himself for examination, but, unfortunately, or fortunately as the case may be, failed to satisfy his examiner. Thereupon a further arrangement was made whereby Plaintiff was given some extra lessons for an additional sum of \$15. On December 30 he made another attempt to pass the examination but once again he was doomed to disappointment.

These shortly are the facts and the question I have to determine is whether, in these circumstances, Plaintiff is entitled to claim his money back.

Now, it is common ground that, as a general rule, a person is entitled to recover on a total failure of the consideration, but where the money has been paid for an entire consideration and is only a partial failure of such consideration neither the whole nor any part of such sum can be recovered. Thus where a Plaintiff apprenticed his son to a watchmaker and jeweller for the term of six years, paying to the master a premium of £25, and the master died after having given only one year's instruction, it was held on an action brought to recover the whole or part of such premium on the ground of failure of consideration that the failure, being only partial, the action was not maintainable.

A Distinction

On the other hand, however, there is a distinction between a failure of part of the consideration, and a partial failure of the consideration, it having been held that a failure of part of an entire consideration is a failure of the whole consideration unless part performance has been accepted, in which case it becomes a partial failure of the whole consideration.

Having carefully reviewed the evidence given, I have no hesitation in saying that I accept Defendant's version of the whole transaction as the correct one, and I do not accept Plaintiff's statement that the understanding between them was for an unlimited course of instruction. I am satisfied that Defendant taught Plaintiff to the best of his skill and knowledge, and the fact that his pupil failed on two occasions to satisfy the examiners was not, in my opinion, due to lack of tuition but to Plaintiff's nervousness and lack of self-control. Plaintiff himself admits that he was nervous when undergoing the tests, and I fail to see how any person, be he a tutor or motor-car driving, cab-driving or even rickshaw pulling, can be expected to include a cure for nervousness in his curriculum.

On the facts as proved to my satisfaction, therefore, I hold that there has been not even a partial failure of consideration, since I am satisfied that Defendant performed his undertaking to the best of his ability and skill.

There will therefore be judgment for the Defendant with costs.

The Director of Medical Services gratefully acknowledges the receipt of a gift of 6,000 cigarettes from the Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Co., Ltd. for the Chinese interned soldiers at Argyle Street Internment Camp.

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The SIXTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 10th July, 1941, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 3rd July to the 24th July inclusive.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 19th day of May, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at North Point, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rental	Upset Price
1	Inland Lot No. 6155.	as per plan.	about 6,000	\$110	\$200
	Test for All Road, South of Inland Lots Nos. 3309 and 3399, North Point				

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$200.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rental	Upset Price
2	Rural Building Lot No. 441.	as per plan.	about 20,000	\$20	\$1,000
	Repulse Bay Road.				

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2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Victor Silvester and his Ballroom Orchestra.

London Relay—The News.

7.15 "The Netherlands and the War" by His Excellency Dr Gerbrandy, President of the Netherlands Council of Ministers in London.

7.30 Primo Scala's Accordion Band.

"Nine Sherry" (Excerpts from the Revue)... "The Little Theatre Company"; "The Fleet's Lit Up"—Sélection; "Geraldine and his London Hippodrome Orchestra."

8 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 Harry Roy's Tiger Ragamuffins.

Hot Lips (Husse and others); I'm a Ding Dong Duddy (Baxter); Ragging the A.C.E. (Stainforth); Sarawaki (Gordon).

8.15 Studio—Local Newsletter.

8.30 New Variety.

Vocal—Only Forever (from Rhythm on the River); Denny Dennis with Novachord accompaniment; Vocal—Never Took a Lesson in My Life (Lawrence—Fore); I'll Never Smile Again, Until I Smile at You (Lowe); Elsie Carlisle with Instru. accompaniment; Accordion Band—The Swiss Bells (Fore—Samuels).

Primo Scala's Accordion Band with Vocal Chorus; Comedian—Sitting on the Ice in Ice Rink (Cottrell); Why Don't Women Like Me? (Cottrell—Bennett); George Formby with his Ukulele and Orchestra accompaniment; Accordion Band—I'll Never Make the Same Mistake Again (Lester—Smith); Primo Scala's Accordion Band with Vocal Chorus; Vocal—I'm Nobody's Baby (Davis and others); Maybe (Flynn—Madden); Anne Shelton with instrumental accompaniment.

9 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.15 Lucienne Boyer, Tino Rossi and the Orchestra Mascotte.

Exultation—Waltz (Laufenschlager); Waltz of the Dolls (Joseph Boyer); Orchestra Mascotte; Pescadore (Farewell Love) (Rodor and Scott); Le Châliand Qui Passe (Andre and others); Tino Rossi (Tenor) with Orchestra; Chantets—Waltz (Richard); It Happened in Vienna—Waltz (Ferry Muhr); Orchestra Mascotte; Les Penoms Effaces (Tranchant and Tranchant); Estime Marocaine (Eddy—Bos); Lucienne Boyer (Soprano) with Orchestra; Havana—Waltz (Waldeufel); Orchestra Mascotte.

9.45-10 News in French (on Short Wave Only).

9.45 The State Opera Orchestra.

"Jubel"—Overture (Weber); Wedding Waltz (Dohnanyi).

10 London Relay—"To Talk of Things."

10.15 Beethoven Programme.

Overture "Coriolan" Op. 62.... The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Adrian Boult; In Questa Tomba Oscura... Theodore Chailapine (Bass) with Orchestra; Sonata in C Major, Op. 102, No. 1; 1st Mov: Andante—Allegro vivace; 2nd Mov: Adagio—Tempo d'Andante; 3rd Mov: Allegro Vivace... Pau Casals (Cello) and Mieczyslaw Horowitz (Piano); The Bliss of pensive melancholy... Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano) with Piano accompaniment; Eleven Viennese Dances... London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Felix Weingartner.

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Appeal To Enlist

Ambassador's Call To Young Britons

Shanghai, May 14.

An appeal for British subjects in China to join the fighting forces was issued by the British Ambassador to Chungking, Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, in a statement released by the Consulate-General today.

Sir Archibald's statement said that in the past he had said that British subjects in China were helping Britain's war effort by remaining at their jobs, although it was the duty of everybody who could be spared to join.

"To-day, however," he now says, "conditions have changed and more men are needed than before. It is the duty of every able-bodied British subject in China to consider whether his services may not be more useful in the armed forces."

"This applies particularly to young men between the ages of 20 and 30, whether married or single."

Sir Archibald also appealed to companies to consider whether they could make special arrangements to release the younger men on their staffs, even if it meant more work for those remaining.

"While the continued efficiency of British businesses in China is important," says Sir Archibald, "the flow of recruits is certainly no less important, and I am sure those concerned will be able to find ways of maintaining their efficiency without holding back men whose place is with the forces."—Reuter.

Cholera Incidence Still High

Eleven cases of Cholera (four from Victoria, five from Kowloon, one from Shaohkwan and one from Aberdeen), three cases of Diphtheria, 17 of Dysentery, eight of Typhoid, five of Measles and 72 of Tuberculosis were reported during the three days ended on Monday. This brings the Cholera total to 750.

During the week ended on Saturday, 35 cases of Cholera with 23 deaths, three of Meningitis with two deaths, 12 of Diphtheria with seven deaths, 49 of Typhoid with 10 deaths, 19 of Measles with four deaths, two of Small-pox with three deaths, and 196 of Tuberculosis with 144 deaths, were also reported.

Mr J. D. Bickerstaff Found Dead

Revolver Beside Body

Mr James Bickerstaff, 36, land bailiff of the Public Works Department, was found shot at his residence, Prince Edward Road, shortly after 11 a.m. yesterday.

A revolver was also found in the room, which was locked. The discovery was made by Mr Bickerstaff's servants, who heard the shot, and notified the Police.

Mr Bickerstaff arrived in Hongkong in 1926 as a member of King's Own Scottish Borderers, but

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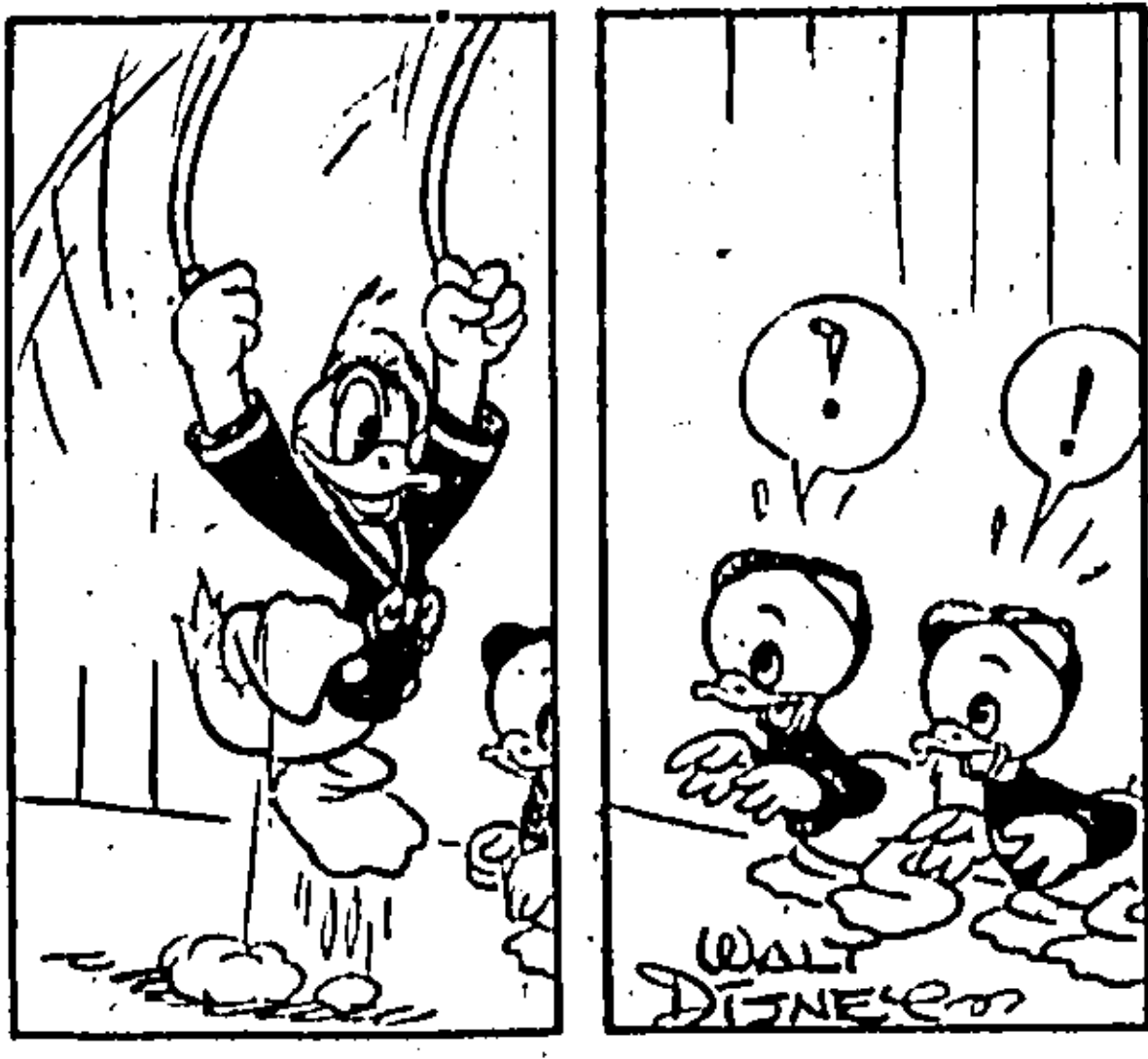
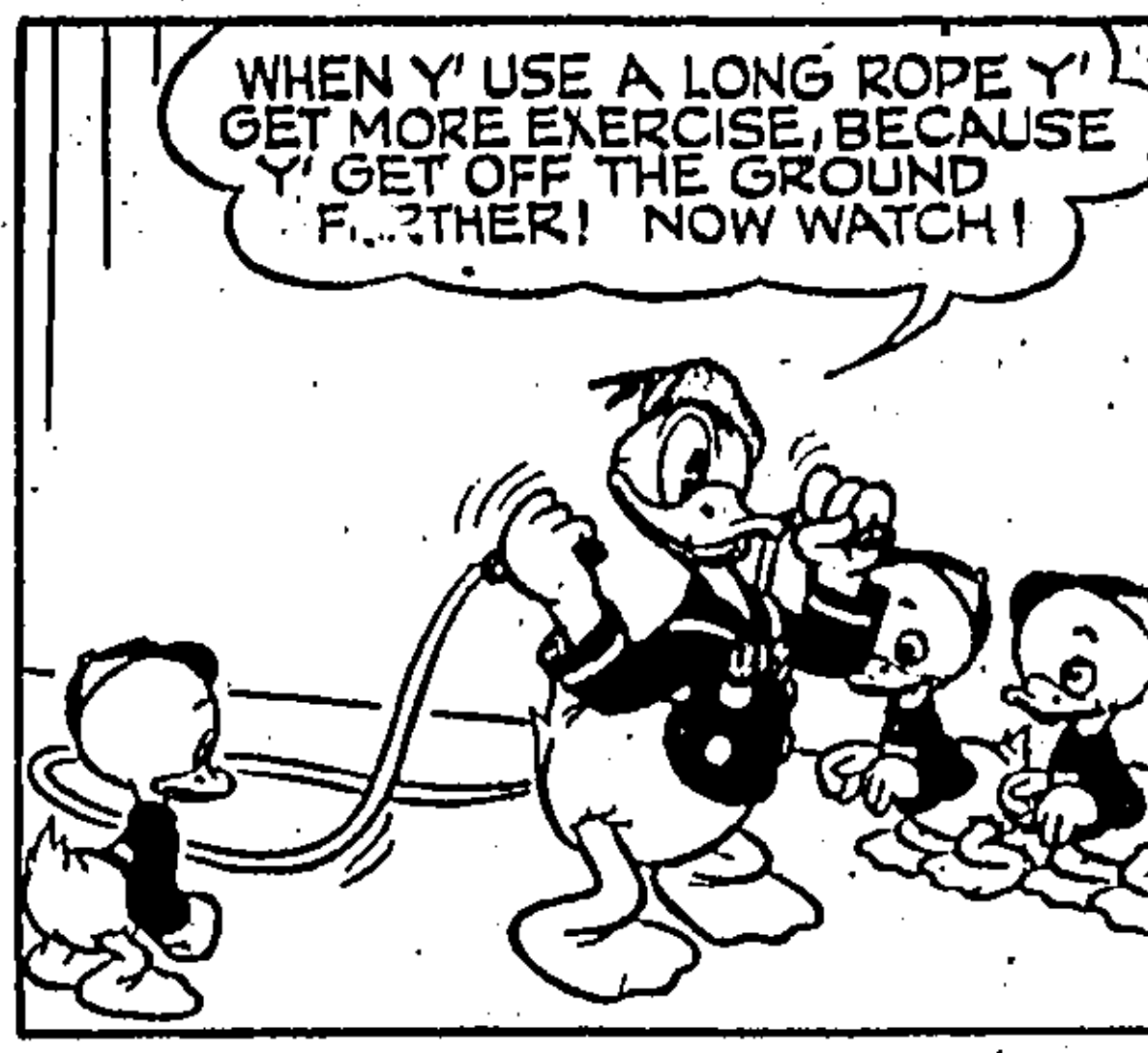
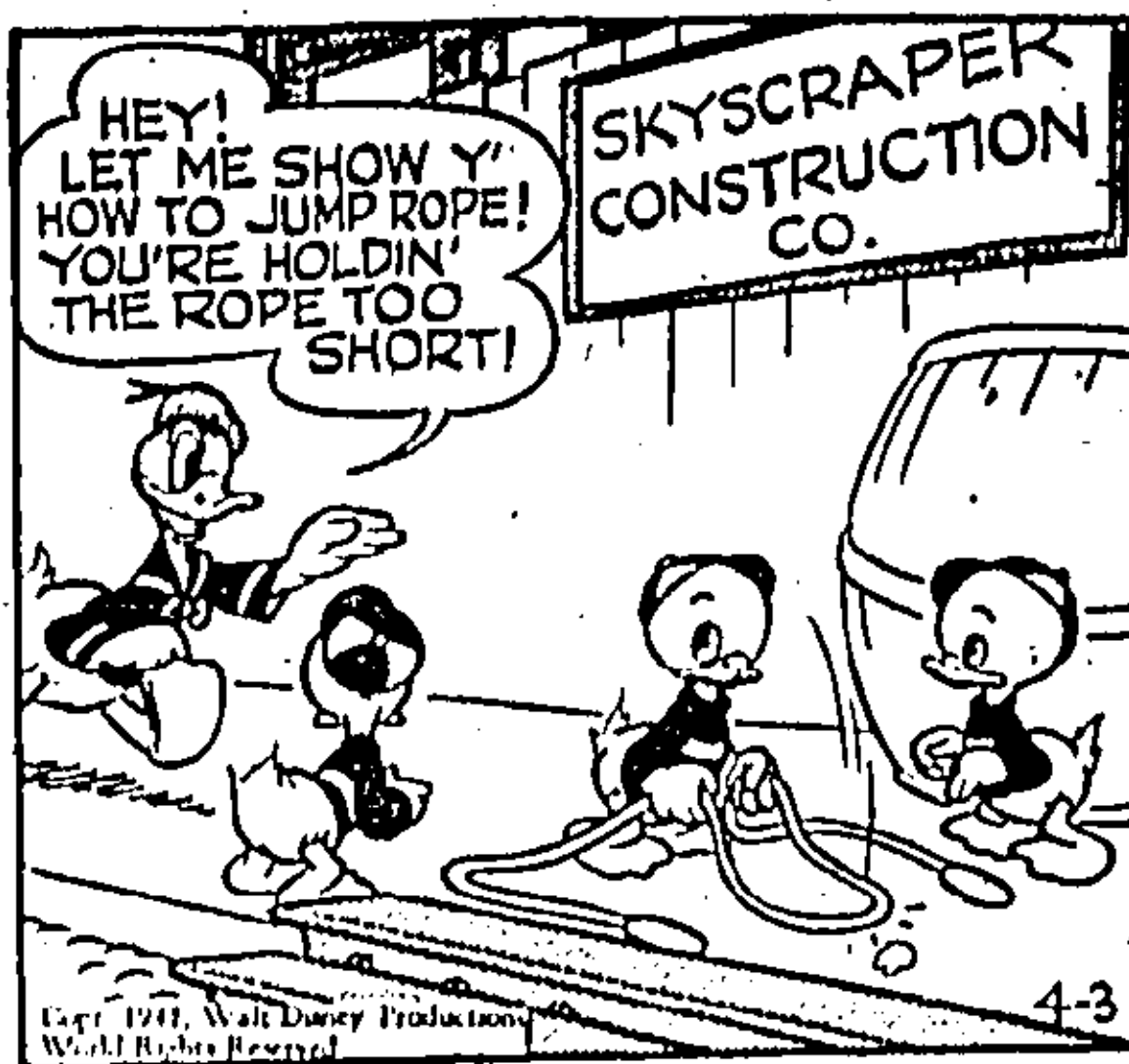
One Fatality in Total Of Eighty-Six Accidents

In the Colony of Hongkong, including the island, Kowloon and New Territories, during the week ended on Saturday, there were altogether 86 traffic accidents as the result of which one person was killed and 23 persons were injured.

The person killed, a Chinese male, age 30 was knocked down and killed by a private car while crossing the carriageway.

Of the weekly returns of January 25-February and April 2

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ANNA NEAGLE

the famous British film star, acted as host to the crews of the British ships, Glenwood and Langley, in New York recently, when at the same time the New York British War Relief Society shipped two portable canteens to England. Miss Neagle distributed wearing apparel and other useful presents to the crew. Her latest picture, "No, No, Nanette" is due soon at the King's Theatre.



Cabaret Girl Brings Suit Seduction Alleged

A Shanghai Chinese woman, Cheung Li-lun, described as single, and residing at 1 Min Fat Street, first floor, Wongweichong, brought an action for breach of promise against a man, Chan Ah-ng, described as a merchant, of 120 Wing Lok Street, first floor, before Mr Justice P. F. Crossall in the Summary Court yesterday.

In her statement of claim, Plaintiff alleged that in or about August, 1940, she and Defendant verbally agreed to marry one another within a reasonable time. Relying on this promise, Plaintiff, in or about September, 1940, allowed Defendant to seduce her whereby she became pregnant.

In February, 1941, the statement continued, Defendant, by letter from his solicitor, repudiated and determined the said agreement on his part and absolutely refused to be any longer bound thereby. Plaintiff therefore claimed damages of \$1,000 and costs.

Before the case opened, Mr M. A. da Silva, solicitor for Plaintiff, asked leave to amend the writ by substituting July for August in the verbal agreement, and August for September in the seduction. Mr C. A. Sutherland Ross, for Defendant, offered no objection.

Mr Silva said that the issue was a simple one of fact. Mr Ross, he said, on behalf of Defendant, had pleaded to the effect that the relationship existing between his client and Plaintiff was nothing more than that of a girl, to put it with brutal frankness, was an "amateur prostitute." Defendant further denied that there was any promise of marriage.

ceived over \$300 from him for the intimacy that had taken place. Questioned by his Lordship, Plaintiff said that she fell in love with Defendant when she first met him because he was so kind and gentle to her. He had attempted intimacy with her before his promise, but she had refused him.

Yim Tung said that he had known Defendant for three years, and had introduced him, on his request, to Plaintiff at the Cathay Ballroom. Some two weeks after the introduction, Defendant asked him to speak of his character to Plaintiff, and witness did so. Defendant told witness that he wished to marry the girl.

Cross-examined by Mr Ross, Yim said that Plaintiff told him that intimacy had taken place between herself and Defendant.

Made no Promise

Defendant said that he was assisting his brother in running the Tung Hing firm of rice merchants in Wing Lok Street. He declared that he had never made a promise to marry Plaintiff, and first met her when he paid a visit to the Cathay Ballroom. Yim did not introduce him, and he did not know the man.

There was intimacy, for which he gave her \$50, and he made her payments on subsequent occasions. In September, he gave her \$40 because she said that she was leaving for Shanghai. On the following day, he gave her a further \$80 to pay her debts.

Defendant said that his friend, Wong Shing, was with him on every occasion he took Plaintiff out. In October, while they were in the Canadian Cafe, Plaintiff asked for money but he refused to give it to her. She appeared to be displeased.

Defendant first heard of her condition when he received a solicitor's letter. He added that he had given her a total of \$350 altogether, and he had no intention of marrying her. When Mr Silva raised the question of paternity of Plaintiff's child, his Lordship asked Defendant: Would you be surprised if it were proven by blood-test that that child was yours?

Defendant: Yes.

Mr Silva continued his questioning of Defendant on his attitude to cabaret girls, but Mr Ross interjected and said that he objected to Mr Silva attacking his client's character.

Mr Silva explained to the Court that he was merely trying to show that Defendant was "one of those young blades" who goes around and, in this case, he said, "made a false promise" to Plaintiff to marry her.

Further questioned, Defendant denied that he had ever mentioned a word about marriage to Plaintiff. He himself, he said, was not married.

Wong Shing, broker, said that he had never heard Defendant mention that he wished to marry Plaintiff. When they were in the Canadian Cafe, Plaintiff appeared to be quarrelling with Defendant, but witness could not understand what was said, as they spoke in the Shanghai dialect.

His Lordship, after both solicitors had addressed the Court, reserved judgment until to-morrow.

Catholics In Japan

Vatican City, May 13.

It is reliably learned here to-day that the Holy See within a few days will extend official recognition to the Catholic Church in Japan whose official status has recently been recognised by the Japanese Government under the new religious law—Domei.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- Was transported
- Experienced pain
- Birth together with sharp sound
- Unit of eye
- Wanting in tightness
- Former Austrian coin
- Soft parts of mouth
- Unit of wine measurement
- Referring to airport
- Street with sudden force
- Letter of literary excellence
- Makes mistake
- Wheel turns
- Illness away
- Church service
- Formerly obscure
- Ill
- Grinding tooth
- Green
- Robber
- Cut in two
- Caught glimpse of
- Those who examine specimen of work
- Musical air
- Waste (English)
- Myriads
- White alloy
- Carbonated drink
- Conqueror of Jerusalem
- Antique bird
- One who foretells events
- Ancient Roman official

DOWN

- Carpet
- Bag-shaped ornament
- Prize
- Half
- Oriental
- Late English king
- Attorney-at-law
- Of high temperature
- Compound ether
- One who reads a worthless
- Standard work of literature
- Irish, merry song
- Unit of area in Russian Turkmenian
- Remember outer covering of
- Allowance for transportation waste
- Minor evil spirit
- Outer form
- Russian noblemen
- Income (follies)
- Alkali
- Business transactions
- On-ships—new rope
- Through hole
- No trouble
- Celestial bodies
- Poisonous spider
- Acted as intervening agency
- Famous waterfall
- True skin
- Expectorate
- Derived from gallinula
- Efficient catcher of rodents, as cat
- Apert
- French feminine suffix
- Nick's name
- Fifteenth of July
- Devoid of clothes
- Bickness
- Strong brew
- Extreme end of cart (Prov. Eng.)

Diplomat Is Best-Seller

BRITAIN has a new best-seller, out-topping most others. It is "Black Record," reprint of Sir Robert Vansittart's broadcast talks on Germany. More than 250,000 copies, the publishers told me, have now been sold. They say the demand shows no sign of dropping.

This information set me thinking of the days when the "Times" was implicitly advocating the secession to Germany of the Sudetenland and publishing a letter jointly signed by, among others, Barry Domville, Lord Londonderry and Pitt-Rivers, saying, "We see . . . the promise of a new era compared to which the tragic years that have gone since the war will seem like a bad dream"—the days just before and after Munich, in fact.

I USED sometimes then to seek comfort in a large room at the end of the ground floor corridor of the Foreign Office. It contained no Munich-fancier.

It was a large, dingily opulent room with two windows on St James's Park, two on the Horse Guards. Besides furniture, it contained two globes, and on an expensive easel a map of Europe, from which nearly all the colours had faded, so that, with the exception of these islands, it looked almost as though the greater part of the Continent was one huge stato.

I thought it an omen at the time.

THE room belonged—it still does—to Sir Robert Vansittart, Chief Diplomatic Adviser to the Government.

Let us admit that if his advice was not asked at the time of Munich, his own temperament may have had something to do with it. He does not suffer fools as gladly, perhaps, as a diplomat should. On the other hand the amateurs who then controlled our foreign policy didn't suffer wise men gladly. The rest is history.

If all that seems past, it has something to do with the violent attacks made on him, for "Black Record," if it is his view of the German nation, is, by implication, his justification and a round condemnation of the Munichers.

WHAT is this pamphlet? It is an analysis of the German temperament, pointed with historical references; and it concludes with suggestions as to how Germany's perpetual desire to dominate the world can best be curbed in future. Its moral is that Goethe was right when he said that as an individual the German is a human being, but that as a race they are impossible.

It is written in exuberant language, extravagant, if you like. I grant that. It is only fair to say, however, that some of the attacks made on Vansittart's thesis have been neither prejudiced nor violent. Many who have given much thought to the German problem disagree honestly with Vansittart, and have said so.

But nearly all the attacks—both from Right and Left—have been by implication: D. N. Pritt asks the Minister of Information what use Dr Goebbels has made of Vansittart's material. The answer, of course, is "None."

The "Times," finding nothing better to attack him about, attacks him for having spoken in public at all, which is irrelevant.

Let us leave it at that. But what sort of man is this who can perform the astonishing feat of making bedfellows out of Pritt and Dawson who edits the "Times"?

If I were asked to whom I would most surely apply the word "civilised" the race of Vansittart would come into my head and stay there. I could hardly describe him: he is too lively, even at 59, to be pinned down. You feel that he shouldn't be indoors, that a tennis racket might appear suddenly in his hand, and that he wouldn't serve a fault. Or that he's only waiting for the right moment to sit down and dash on paper some thought that has suddenly taken shape behind two sharp, pale eyes.

In the years I've known him I have hardly ever seen him sit down, except at a meal. Walking about his room with a Turkish cigarette between his fingers, he will suddenly put his hands up to his elegant head, as though he had just remembered some desperately unhappy piece of news. But that isn't it, at all, for when he takes them down again a second later he will be smiling. It's just a habit.

He's tall, broad-shouldered, and if he has the kind of face that has never known what hardship is, that doesn't mean that it hasn't known something of great disappointments.

I DON'T know, but I guess that he would wish to be more remembered as a poet than as a diplomat. But he won't be, of course.

If I envied any man I should envy the one who will come to write his biography in 60 or 70 years' time. He will be writing the history of Britain's most tremendous period; and looking at the photographs that will be available to him, he will wonder why, perhaps, this man had a face that was not bitter.

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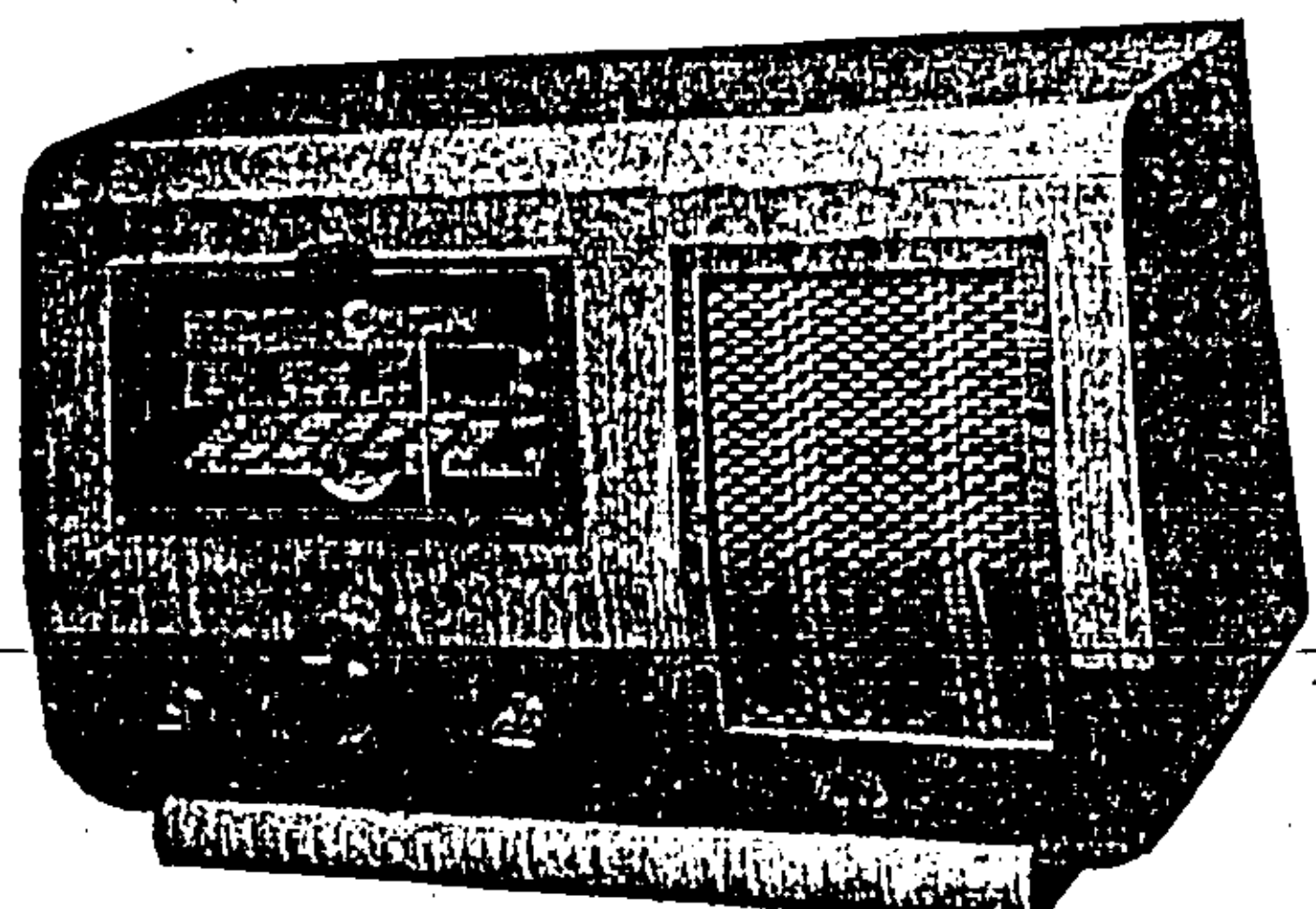
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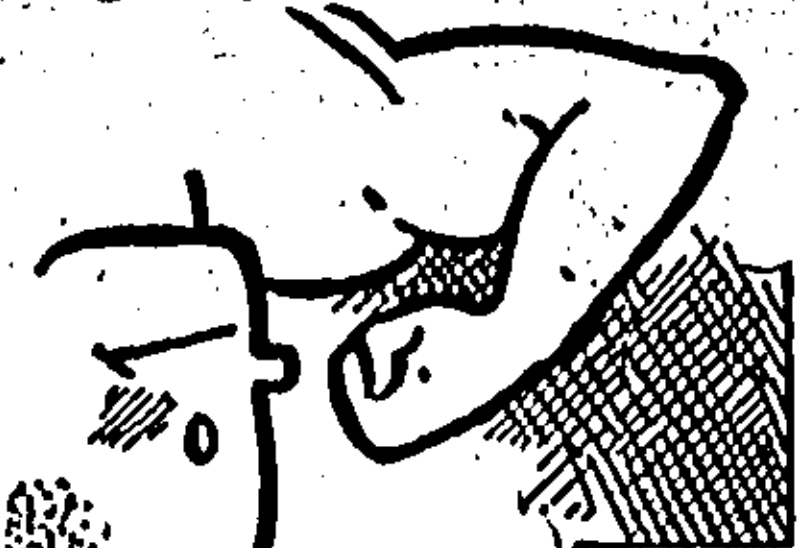
April Score 385

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DEATH

BICKERSTAFF.—On May 14, 1941, at his residence No. 182 Prince Edward Road, James Dowie Bickerstaff, aged 36. Funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m., to-day.

The Hongkong Telegraph

Thursday, May 15, 1941.

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EXPLOITERS BEATEN

THE lesson that determined and sincere effort, backed by honest motives can always, in the long run, overcome unscrupulous dealings has again been taught by the immediate results of the establishment in Hongkong of "fair price" rice shops, which, within 48 hours smashed the Colony's rice profiteering market. The foresight and courage of a number of public-minded people brought this about. Before the inauguration of the "fair price" selling centres, many of the rice dealers openly snapped their fingers at Government legislation which endeavoured to control prices; and as if the flaunting of the law were not sufficient, numbers of dealers resorted to nefarious tricks in order to grasp that little extra profit at the expense of the purchasers, such as watering the rice to make it heavy, or adulterating it by mixing the grades, then charging Grade A prices.

This sort of sharp practice was outright dishonesty and fraud which could only be successfully countered and rendered unprofitable by the appearance of competitors willing to sell pure, fair weight rice at the legal prices. Happily such public spirited and disinterested people were to be found in the Social Work Committee which formed itself for this express task. As a result, the situation in the rice market has taken a violent change—for the better. Adulteration of rice is still being carried out by some retailers, but so impressive was their loss of business for two days that in sheer desperation they brought their prices below the official rate per picul by one dollar. This was the principal aim of the "fair price" centres. They were not set up for the purpose of competing with the merchants on a profit-making basis, nor of forcing the dealers out of business unless they refused to listen to reason. The Social Work Committee were determined to make the licensed retailers adhere to the official prices, and to prevent them from exploiting any further the thousands of poor people who rely on rice for their sustenance.

This was a worthy aim, which evoked not only the sympathy of all fair-minded people, but, happily, enjoyed a prompt and

BITTER WINTER

Full story of the Amazing February Weather in England

IT is now possible to reveal that the worst snowstorm since 1917 swept the north of England in the middle of February.

Many towns and villages in Cumberland, Westmorland, Northumberland, and Yorkshire were isolated for days; rail and bus services were interrupted; supplies ran short; district nurses were isolated with their patients: buses went through snow cuttings in ten-foot drifts with the walls topping their roofs; some vehicles were buried for nearly a week, and at one time a large number of lorries and cars were held up in the north by the blocking of a famous pass. While this was happening in the north, most of the south was having normal weather.

Personal service highlights in this widespread storm were the way district nurses carried on in face of great difficulties and girls drove heavy Army lorries over hills, where some of them had to stay stormbound for the night.

I reached the approaches to the pass on the night before the thaw cleared the road sufficiently for alternate one-way traffic to be operated. Snow and traffic blocks made it impossible to go further.

At every hillside bay there depots, and their convoys were jams of traffic. Drivers constantly on the road, no matter what the weather, were crowded in wayside cafes or sleeping in outhouses. Police and A.A. scouts in phone touch with control points regulated traffic.

They told me that at the worst of the jam a hundred or so vehicles were held up in one town, every cul-de-sac, yard, and some streets being temporary car parks. On the other side there were numbers more, and others were stuck at various points between, where many drifts went to eight or ten feet and a few to fifteen.

A hearse with coffin going to Preston for burial was snowed up for five days; a bus completely buried; a heavy load of biscuits for export lay on its side in a drift; there were lorries with fish and meat; heavy wagons, some tarpaulined, some exposed to the weather—loads of granite, concrete blocks, a petrol tank 25ft. long.

Woman at the wheel

A convoy of twenty lorries, driven by girls, had just come through. Some of the vehicles were 30cwt., some 5-tonners.

They came over the pass one night when days of digging had cleared a temporary one-way for traffic, but near the summit another heavy fall of snow came down. Eighteen of the twenty got through. The driver of the nineteenth, helping to dig out the one in front, did not notice that her own was snowing up, and soon it was hopelessly stuck.

The twentieth was in worse plight. Caught in one of the worst spots on the fells, it was snowed up. The girl driver spent the night in her cab, stuffing all crevices with blouses, towels and newspapers to keep out slashing snow and a gale that threatened to overturn the lorry. A woman of sixty had the hold-up days earlier drivers to spend the night with her. The driver had no sleep, for she had to get out to start the engine every hour to prevent freezing. It took them twenty miles, usually a temporary road was cleared, when most of the waiting lorries had no drivers. Later snowfalls increased the snow blocks and the delay.

Some of the girl drivers got through the partially cleared track after men drivers had given up the task and had tramped through the snow to the nearest shelter.

One girl driver towed a heavy lorry for several miles until she reached a stretch of surface where she had to give up.

£3 a week and expenses

These girl drivers are civilians from comfortable homes and accustomed to driving their own cars. They drive lorries from the assembly factories to Army

enthusiastic response from those who were entitled to this protection. It is to be hoped that those licensed rice dealers who fondly imagined they could continue their methods of exploitation without any fear of consequences, have learnt a salutary lesson. From now on they may rest assured that an organisation exists which will not hesitate to fight them, and successfully so, if there are further signs of malpractice.

+ Snowstorm the worst since 1917

+ Food dropped by airplane

+ Women lorry-drivers marooned

the nurse to get help tramped sometimes almost hip-deep in snow to the nearest farmhouse to summon a farm cart as ambulance to take the woman to hospital. She got safely through, but on the return was charged by a small herd of cattle which had not fed for days. She lay down in the snow. The animals sniffed her, then moved away. She scrambled over a fence and back to her patient. The farm cart got through later and the woman was taken to hospital, where the child was safely born.

One or two nurses can scarcely walk after mild attacks of frost bite. One is in hospital as the result of her ordeals.

Packhorses to the rescue

In some cut-off areas packhorses had to be brought out to get essential supplies through. Many villages were without letters, newspapers, coal, and fresh food supplies for days. At Hallowthistle, Northumberland, where farmers holding their first market of the year were able to bring scarcely anything to sell, there was a shortage of beer, and customers who wanted whisky generally got it out of miniature bottles, there being no other supplies.

Here, when I wanted to telephone to Alston (1,000-foot high market town) I was told at the post office that if I wrote my message as a telegram they would send it by train, and when I tried to get through to Alston by road my driver wisely turned back at a treacherous stretch of fell road where icicles hung more than a yard long and frozen snowdrifts were deeper.

Dirty days for shepherds

Farmers argued whether the storm was the worst since 1917 or 1898, and told stories of thousands of hill sheep buried under snow having to be dug out and brought into safer ground or hand-fed where they were. To get turnips to feed them farmers had to dig through feet of snow. Other farmers have nearly used up their available supplies of strictly rationed feeding stuffs, and ploughing programmes are six weeks in arrears.

Even day hill shepherds have been out sometimes on horseback, searching for sheep, either with long poles with which they probe the drifts or with dogs that can scent through several feet of snow.

Sledges were also in use, and people walked across five-barred gates, high walls and hedges, scarcely knowing they were there. Many bus services radiating from Carlisle were stopped. When some of the roads were cleared by cuttings through drifts up to ten feet deep the snow walls caved in during a short thaw and closed them again. Then came another freeze-up and many cars were ditched.

For a time train services, too, were interrupted. The Carlisle-Newcastle service got through when it could. Up there they still chuckle about the train that got through to the mine on a Friday. But it was Thursday's train.—B. B. the "Sunday Express."

How the Nurses got through

Some had to dig their way to patients' homes; one was carried over deep drifts by men relatives of a sick woman; some who had already reached their patients' homes were storm-stayed there for days, and doctors on horseback had to attend to other normally nursing cases.

At Hallowthistle, twelve miles from Carlisle, the only way the nurse could reach a sick household was by travelling on a colliery locomotive.

At one maternity case in a fell-side house, with snow nearly up to the roof, complications developed and in the

A story of cold mutton

Drivers brought through additional stories of the hold-up. The road, it appeared, had been cleared earlier, but one of the first vehicles to go ahead was a huge three-decker sheep lorry with fifty or sixty live sheep. It crashed and overturned on the treacherous surface. Some sheep were killed, some injured.

The live ones had to be turned loose in the fells while the carrier and chassis were worked to the side of the road. Another carrier following behind also had an accident, and more sheep and mutton were spilled over the countryside.

Stranded driverless lorries along the route added to the difficulties of clearing a workable track. At the height of lorry. A woman of sixty had the hold-up days earlier drivers to spend the night with her. The driver had no sleep, for she had to get out to start the engine every hour to prevent freezing. It took them twenty miles, usually a temporary road was cleared, when most of the waiting lorries had no drivers. Later snowfalls increased the snow blocks and the delay.

On the north side of the pass soldiers were called out to assist workers engaged on clearing the road, but there are complaints that too few men were turned out on the work by the county council clearing the south side. Lorry drivers say they volunteered to help on a payment basis, but were refused.

Some took part in the work voluntarily, and hundreds of them tolerated their troubles more easily for the reason that they were getting overtime for Saturdays and Sundays while their lorries were stuck in the snow.

Better apparatus discussed

Ministry of Transport officials have investigated the hold-up, and it is probable that more up-to-date snow-clearing apparatus will be brought into operation in future on this difficult but vital road artery.

Wales had its heaviest snow for seventy-five years. The



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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES

Close Games In Last Week's Schedule

R. S. Meadows Loses Seven But Wins His Game

A.P. Guterres' Fine Success

LAST SATURDAY I referred to B. Basto's rather unusual "achievement" of losing a seven in a League game and yet winning. It was a coincidence that on that very day R. S. Meadows of the Kowloon C.C. juniors had the same distinction in his encounter with C. Gowland of the Prison Officers' Club.

The only surprise result—if one may call it that—in last week's Senior Division programme was the victory of Recreio "B" over the Indian R.C. at King's Park. There were only four shots in it at the end, and the Portuguese team collected four points, principally as the result of A. P. Guterres' splendid win over A. R. Dallah by 10 shots.

Guterres obtained the lead early in the game and kept it to the end. He was finely supported by A. M. Rodrigues at No. 3, and his two other front men, A. F. Noronha and A. M. Xavier, were playing better bowls than their opposite numbers.

J. J. Basto had a close struggle with A. K. Minu and just managed to keep his nose in front by a single shot. He was in the lead most of the time, but conceded a five on the 10th head to trail 14-15. However, he came back with a couple of twos and though he lost a two on the last end he won 18-17.

Some skips have an inordinate fear of being stuck at 13. "Baby" Basto is one of them. The week before, he conceded a seven in a desperate effort to get out of this number; last Saturday, he scored a four to reach 13—and there he remained until the end of the match. As a result of the four, he led M. H. Abbas 13-10, but try as he did, he could not score again and Abbas went on to register 10 shots from singles and twos.

AS more or less to be expected, Recreio "A" and Craignower C.C. won their matches easily, against Kowloon C.C. and Kowloon Docks respectively. Each side collected maximum points, winning on three rinks.

ORTHODOX WINS NEWMARKET STAKES

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—Orthodox (7/2) won the Newmarket Stakes to-day, beating Sunny Island (7/1) by a head. A neck separated Starwort (10/1) from the two leaders. Twelve ran.

T. A. Madar, the K.C.C. skip, put up a good struggle against Carlos Silva, one of the most consistent skips in the League, and was only beaten by two shots. In the domestic affair at Kowloon B.G.C., Bob Duncan was the only "B" team skip to be on the winning end, his victim being G. H. Sherriff. But A. J. Hall, of the "A" team, had only two shots to spare against J. McKelvie, though Adam Holland's rink, which appears to be the strongest in the club, was eight to the good against L. Guy's four.

THE match between Police R.C. and Civil Service C.C. on the former's green was a close affair, four shots separating the two teams and giving the Police four points to their opponents' one.

It is rather surprising that E. G. Post's rink, although a good one on paper and seems to be the best in the Police team, has not yet been able to get going. His front men are G. Perkins, F. Nolan and A. E. Carey, three men as good as any skip could normally expect; yet they have been beaten twice already.

On the other hand, J. Shepherd goes from strength to strength. Following his good win at Sookunpoo the previous Saturday, he beat J. F. MacGowan by 22-17 last week. W. McLeod, W. Harris and W. S. Dall have so far given him all the support he wants.

IN the Second Division, the Prison Officers' Club, who gained promotion on the strength of their success in the Third Division last year, are making their presence felt already. They have made a good start—two victories in two matches—and will bear watching.

The best performance in this section was, in my opinion, the victory of Kowloon F.C. over Talkoo R.C. at Talkoo.

The latter are always a difficult team to beat, especially on their own green, and even if they are not as formidable as of yore, a win over them on their own green is something to feel pleased about. W. V. Field's 25-shot win over J. A. Watson made the aggregate result almost certain for the visitors.

THE Hongkong C.C., in the Third Division, had the honour of being one of the teams to make a clean sweep. And their achievement was all the more creditable in that it was performed away from their own green. The H.K.C.C. men were nothing if not consistent—one rink won by five shots and the other two by six each.

Probably the most exciting game in the whole programme was that between the Indian R.C. juniors and Hongkong F.C. With two rinks finished, the Footballers already had one point, and were virtually certain of two as C. F. Needham was leading A. H. Madar 21-15 with only one head to play. But the aggregate result stood at 62-62.

Therefore, the result of the last head between Needham and Madar meant two points for either side.

The Footballers were lying until A. G. Saffad, Madar's No. 3, drew the shot—which remained despite all the Footballers' efforts to remove it. Thus S. M. Rumjahn, who beat P. C. Morgan by ten shots, was able to carry the side on his shoulders. He was the only skip to do so on the day's play.

F.A. Council Meeting

Future Touring Soccer Clubs Must Submit Accounts

Important Resolution

AN IMPORTANT RESOLUTION, having bearing on all future touring soccer teams from Hongkong, was passed at the Monthly meeting of the Hongkong F.A. Council last night. This was that in future all teams touring with the permission of the Association should maintain a proper statement of accounts to submit to the Association.

The resolution was passed following further discussion on correspondence that had been exchanged between the Kwong Wah A.A. and the Eastern A.A., the latter of whom has just completed a tour of the Philippines.

The resolution arose out of discussion on independent players and Mr. Wong Ka-Yun, Chairman, said that unless a prima facie case was made out the Association could not make investigations into the affairs of any Club on flimsy suspicion alone.

Supporting Mr. Wong in the Chair were Mr. C. A. Goldenberg, Hon. Secretary, and Mr. L. F. de Souza, Hon. Treasurer. Other members present were Messrs P. O. Brown, T. G. Stokes, W. J. Brown, J. Skinner, J. McKelvie, Mok Hing, Charles Young, Lt. H. S. Cooper and C. Guingam.

The Chairman said a letter had been received from South China advising that Mr. Young had been appointed General Secretary and that he would represent the Association at future Council meetings.

It was decided that \$3,300, proceeds of the Sunday Herald Cup, be allocated in 22 institutions.

Donations

It was also decided that the net proceeds, amounting to approximately \$5,500 of gate receipts of the final of the Governor's Cup be donated in equal amounts to the Bomber Fund and Chinese War Charities. The donations will be made jointly in the name of the Association and Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation.

The following were elected members of a sub-committee to draft alterations to the rules—Messrs C. Guingam, T. G. Stokes, Wong Ka-Yun and J. Skinner. An honorarium of \$375 each to the Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer was passed unanimously.

S. C. A. A. On Tour

The South China Athletic Association's Football touring team to Malaya has left the Colony and will be away for about two-and-a-half months. The team is being captained by veteran Lee Wai-long and includes the cream of the talent which helped them secure major League honours during the past season.

Mr. Walter Hamming Chen, who has represented South China on the Council of the Football Association and who has played a big part in their success, is accompanying the team as Assistant Manager.

Cottage Club's Final Paper Hunt

THE COTTAGE CLUB'S final paper-hunt of the season will take place on Saturday evening, starting at 5.30 p.m. from a point near San Tin Village, near the entrance to Sunny Farm. Poles will be drawn for at the Club at 8 p.m. After the hunt, an open-air barbecue will be held in the Club grounds for members and friends.



Recreio "A" v. Kowloon C.C. The C. G. Silva-T. A. Madar rink game in progress. Silva won 22-20. Standing around the jack watching the skips bowl are C. E. Marques, H. A. Alves and J. A. Luz (Recreio), N. J. Bebbington, W. W. Parsons and A. E. P. Guest (K.C.C.).—Ming Yuen.

SKIPS TABLES

First Division

Name	Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	For.	Ag.	Up.	Dn.	Pts.
A. M. Holland	K.B.G.C. "A"	2	2	-	-	52	23	29	-	4
M. R. Abbas	I.R.C.	2	2	-	-	49	28	21	-	4
A. P. Guterres	Rec. "B"	2	2	-	-	45	27	18	-	4
J. Shepherd	P.R.C.	2	2	-	-	50	34	16	-	4
U. M. Omar	C.C.C.	2	2	-	-	46	31	15	-	4
A. J. Hall	K.B.G.C. "A"	2	2	-	-	39	29	10	-	4
C. G. Silva	Rec. "A"	2	2	-	-	43	35	8	-	4
R. Luz	Rec. "A"	2	2	-	-	38	31	7	-	4
C. S. Russell	C.C.C.	2	1	-	1	44	30	14	-	2
B. W. Bradbury	C.C.C.	2	1	-	1	50	37	13	-	2
J. F. McGowan	C.S.C.C.	2	1	-	1	38	34	4	-	2
R. Duncan	K.B.G.C. "B"	2	1	-	1	49	47	2	-	2
M. N. Rakusen	C.S.C.C.	2	1	-	1	42	40	2	-	2
J. J. Basto	Rec. "B"	2	1	-	1	40	40	-	-	1
F. X. Silva	Rec. "A"	2	1	-	1	33	33	-	-	2
T. A. Madar	K.C.C.	2	1	-	1	41	42	-	-	1
J. McKelvie	K.B.G.C. "B"	2	1	-	1	41	42	-	-	1
A. R. Dallah	I.R.C.	2	1	-	1	34	35	-	-	1
B. Basto	Rec. "B"	2	1	-	1	37	42	-	-	5
J. Kempton	K.D.R.C.	2	1	-	1	36	48	-	-	12
W. Mair	P.R.C.	2	1	-	1	34	46	-	-	12
C. Strange	C.C.C.	2	1	-	1	37	39	-	-	2
T. Fraser	K.C.C.	2	1	-	1	34	40	-	-	6
G. S. Sherriff	K.B.G.C.	2	1	-	1	38	44	-	-	6
A. K. Minu	I.R.C.	2	1	-	1	34	46	-	-	12
E. G. Post	P.R.C.	2	1	-	1	32	44	-	-	12
E. C. Fincher	K.C.C.	2	1	-	1	26	41	-	-	15
L. Guy	K.B.G.C.	2	1	-	1	30	46	-	-	10
R. Morrison	K.D.R.C.	2	1	-	1	29	46	-	-	17
T. Coleman	K.D.R.C.	2	1	-	1	17	58	-	-	41

Second Division

Name	Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	For.	Ag.	Up.	Dn.	Pts.
W. V. Field	K.F.C.	2	2	-	-	66	24	42	-	4
A. J. Kew	K. Tong	2	2	-	-	53	26	27	-	4
H. W. Randall	C.C.C.	2	2	-	-	48	24	24	-	4
A. Jilott	P.O.C.	2	2	-	-	46	32	14	-	4
P. Younghusband	K.F.C.	2	2	-	-	40	27	13	-	4
O. P. Remedios	Rec.	2	1	-	1	42	36	6	-	3
W. Macfarlane	K.F.C.	2	1	-	1	35	30	5	-	3
J. Cowland	P.O.C.	2	1	-	1	56	38	18	-	2
W. Melrose	Talkoo	2	1	-	1	29	13	16	-	2
T. Lock	C.C.C.	2	1	-	1	42	35	7	-	2
A. W. Brown	H.K.C.C.	2	1	-	1	43	15	2	-	2
J. L. Stephens	K. Tong	2	1	-	1	40	38	2	-	2
A. Steven	K.C.C.	2	1	-	1	34	36	-	-	2
J. R. Soares	Rec.	2	1	-	1	45	48	-	-	3
T. W. Carr	K.C.C.	2	1	-	1	34	40	-	-	6
W. J. Bagley	P.O.C.	2	1	-	1	39	47	-	-	8
R. S. Meadows	K.C.C.	2	1	-	1	30	48	-	-	10
W. J. Howard	K. Tong	2	1	-	1	34	41	-	-	7
M. J. Medina	C.C.C.	2	1	-	1	31	50	-	-	19
H. V. Pearce	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	1	27	33	-	-	6
G. E. Costello	H.K.C.C.	2	1	-	1	15	21	-	-	6
W. Goultwin	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	1	20	28	-	-	8
W. Gill	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	1	12	23	-	-	10
J. C. Chalmers	Talkoo	2	1	-	1	12	22	-	-	10
A. Brooksbank	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	1	15	32	-	-	17
J. A. Remedios	Rec.	2	1	-	1	26	45	-	-	19
W. Simpson	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	1	27	48	-	-	21
J. A. Watson	Talkoo	2	1	-	1	9	34	-	-	25

Third Division

Name	Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	For.	Ag.	Up.	Dn.	Pts.
J. T. Smalley	K.F.C.	2	2	-	-	52	32	20	-	4
C. F. Needham	H.K.F.C.	2	2	-	-	50	30	20	-	4
E. S. Abraham	H.K.C.C.	2	2	-	-	43	31	12	-	4
S. M. Rumjahn	I.R.C.	2	1	-	1	42	32	10	-	3
G. S. Ladd	C.C.C.	2	1	-	1	25	10	15	-	2
F. Channing	P.R.C.	2	1	-	1	47	37	10	-	2
A. O. Madar	I.R.C.	2	1	-	1	25	16	9	-	2
A. Nissim	H.K.C.C.	2	1	-	1	24	18	6	-	2
A. M. Wahab	I.R.C.	2	1	-	1	43	38	5	-	2
H. Nish	K.B.G.C.	2	1	-	1	23	18	5	-	2
W. A. Cornell	H.K.C.C.	2	1	-	1	20	15	5	-	2
J. B. Gilroy	H.K.C.C.	2	1	-	1	15	15	4	-	2
R. Ouden	K.F.C.	2	1	-	1	43	41	2	-	2
M. A. Carvalho	Rec.	2	1	-	1	33	32	1	-	2
K. C. Hamilton	K.B.G.C.	2	1	-	1	23	22	1	-	2
J. Russell	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	1	40	40	-	-	2
M. F. Alarcon	Rec.	2	1	-	1	42	46	-	-	4
J. C. Aitken	P.R.C.	2	1	-	1	36	40	-	-	4
B. Evans	K.F.C.	2	1	-	1	31	42	-	-	11
A. J. Coelho	C.C.C.	2	1	-	1	28	43	-	-	15
J. Macdonald	P.R.C.	2	1	-	1	26	32	-	-	6
N. P. Karanjia	C.C.C.	2	1	-	1	22	23	-	-	1
G. E. Thompson	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	1	14	16	-	-	2
A. F. Paul	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	1	15	19	-	-	4
A. H. Madar	I.R.C.	2	1	-	1	10	21	-	-	6
C. E. Goharian	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	1	15	20	-	-	6
L. de Rome	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	1	18	24	-	-	6
P. A. Yvanovich	Rec.	2	1	-	1	31	43	-	-	12
P. C. Merzan	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	1	34	47	-	-	13
A. McKellar	H.K.C.C.	2	1	-	1	14	29	-	-	15
J. Pau	C.C.C.	2	1	-	1	34	56	-	-	22

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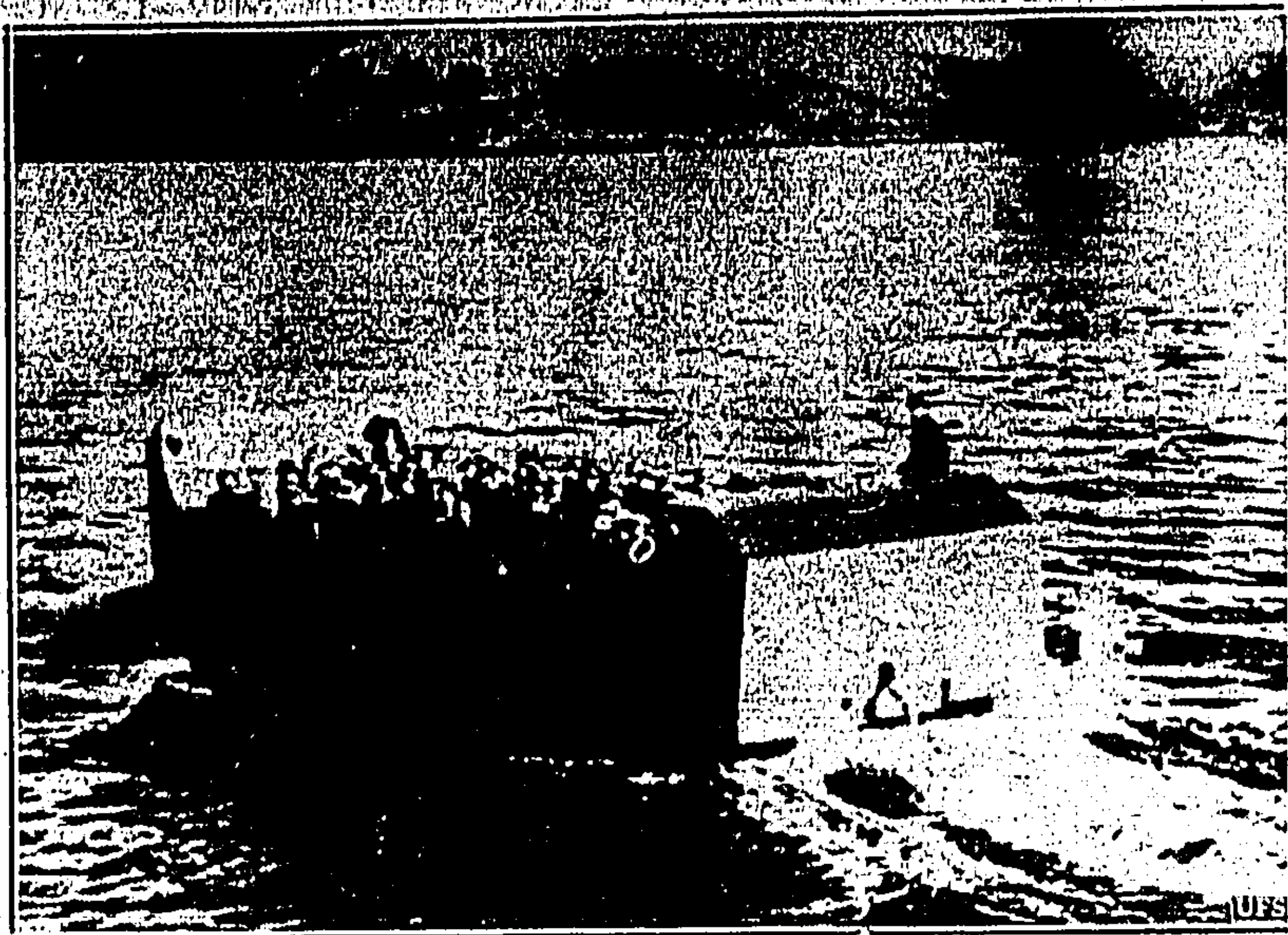


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Hess Had Written To Duke Of Hamilton

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hands of the British security authorities and no reply was made to Hess. The Duke had met Hess on one or two occasions before the war in connection with sporting matters in which both were interested.

Hess is alleged to have said that when the Duke was the Marquess of Douglas and Clydesdale he knew him well and that he had flown to Scotland and made his estate his objective as he had valuable information to give to the Duke.

Useful Information
This information, Hess said, would be of great use to the British in overthrowing the tyranny that now prevails in the Reich.

Hess averred that he had made the most painstaking preparations for his flight from Germany. This statement was borne out by the maps he had used for navigation, on all of which the Duke's estates were ringed in circles.

It was a tribute to Hess' capabilities as a pilot that he should arrive in Scotland and land at a point in such close proximity to his objective.

CAPTOR OF HESS IS NEW HERO

FROM PAGE ONE

about Hess from England which Britain is using for propaganda purposes and which already have been branded as obtained under duress.

Tells of Hardship
LONDON, May 14 (Reuters).—Hess is reported to have told farm people of the hardship now being experienced in Germany and of the great distress amongst the people there over the bombing by the R.A.F. and of the suffering of the civilian population.

Von Papen Intrigue Is Suspected

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bassador, paid the customary call of an ambassador returning to his post at the Foreign Office to-day and saw Mr. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister.

The Turkish Cabinet held its usual weekly meeting later in the day after which Mr. Sarajoglu addressed the People's Party secret session for an hour on the subject of foreign affairs.

The Premier, Dr. Refik Saydam, then gave a resume of foreign developments, after which the meeting, in the words of an official communique, ended in an outburst of applause.

Enemy Shipping Losses

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Scharnhorst and Gneisenau, at Brest on the nights of May 3 and 7, and it is certain that direct hits with powerful armour-piercing bombs were obtained.

On May 11, the German merchant vessel, Coburg, of 11,400 tons, which has been acting as a supply ship to a German raider in the Indian Ocean, and the Norwegian tanker, Kelly Brovig, of 7,000 tons, captured by the raider, were intercepted by the Australian warship Canberra and H.M.S. Leander.

A number of Norwegians and Chinese were rescued and 18 German officers and 47 ratings were taken prisoner.

LATE NEWS

Bats' Flight in Dark Interests Aviation

The solution of one of the greatest mysteries of biology—how bats manage to fly blindly in pitch-dark caves without striking obstacles—was recently reported before the American Society of Zoologists by Robert Galambos and Donald R. Griffin of the Harvard Biological Laboratories.

The bats, the Harvard experiments show, emit super-shrill cries—far too high-pitched for human ears to hear—to pilot them through the darkness. These cries echo from obstacles and the echoes warn the bat.

With this invisible and inaudible sound-beam, the Harvard researchers found, bats can execute complicated manoeuvres through virtual networks of wires without collisions.

Some of the newest aviation instruments are believed to use a device similar to the one developed so effectively by nature in the bat. It is expected that the knowledge gained at Harvard from the bat may have useful applications in the air armament programme.

Used Their Ears
Scientists had suspected for some time that bats used their ears to guide them. The experiments reported not only showed that hearing is essential to blind flying, but also gave the first proof that the apparently noiseless flight of a bat is accompanied by a clamour of shrill cries.

To study these sounds the experimenters used apparatus devised by Professor G. W. Pierce, of Harvard's Crut Laboratory of Physics, for supersonic research.

Uncle Sam Receives A Schooner

The 185-foot racing schooner, Atlantic, which after 36 years still holds the record for racing under sail between England and the United States, has been donated to the U.S. Government.

Her owner, Gerard B. Lambert, industrialist and yachtman, said he was also giving his 50-foot power yacht, Ullittie, to the government and was breaking up his racing sloop, Yankee, and would divert the proceeds toward purchase of a Spitfire plane for Britain.

It was understood that the Atlantic, which in 1905 set a record of 12 days, 4 hours and 1 minute for the standard racing run between Sandy Hook and Lizard Light, off the coast of England, would be attached to the Coast Guard Training Station at New London, Conn.

WILLKIE'S SORE THROAT BILL

Dr. D. Harold Barnard of Beverly Hills, California, wants \$13,000 for the 52 days he treated Wendell Willkie's sore throat during the 1940 campaign. The bill has been turned over to the Republican National Committee.

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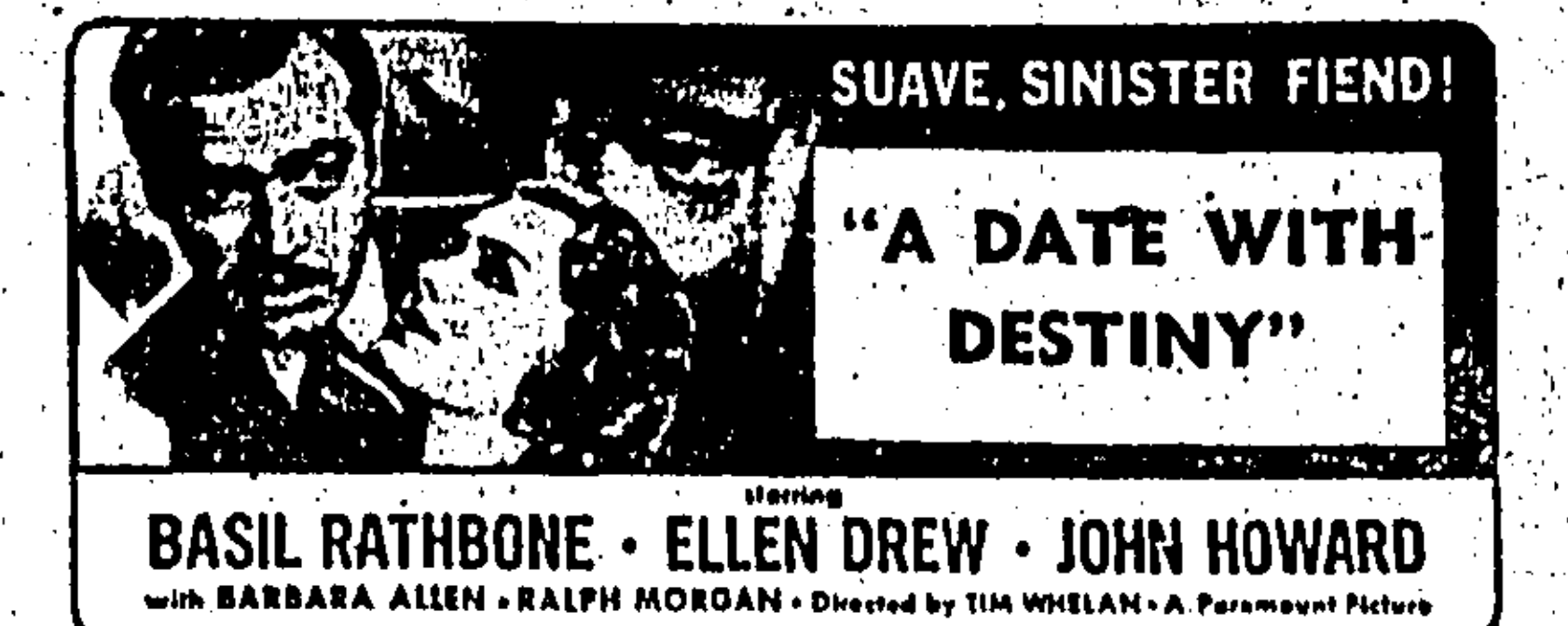
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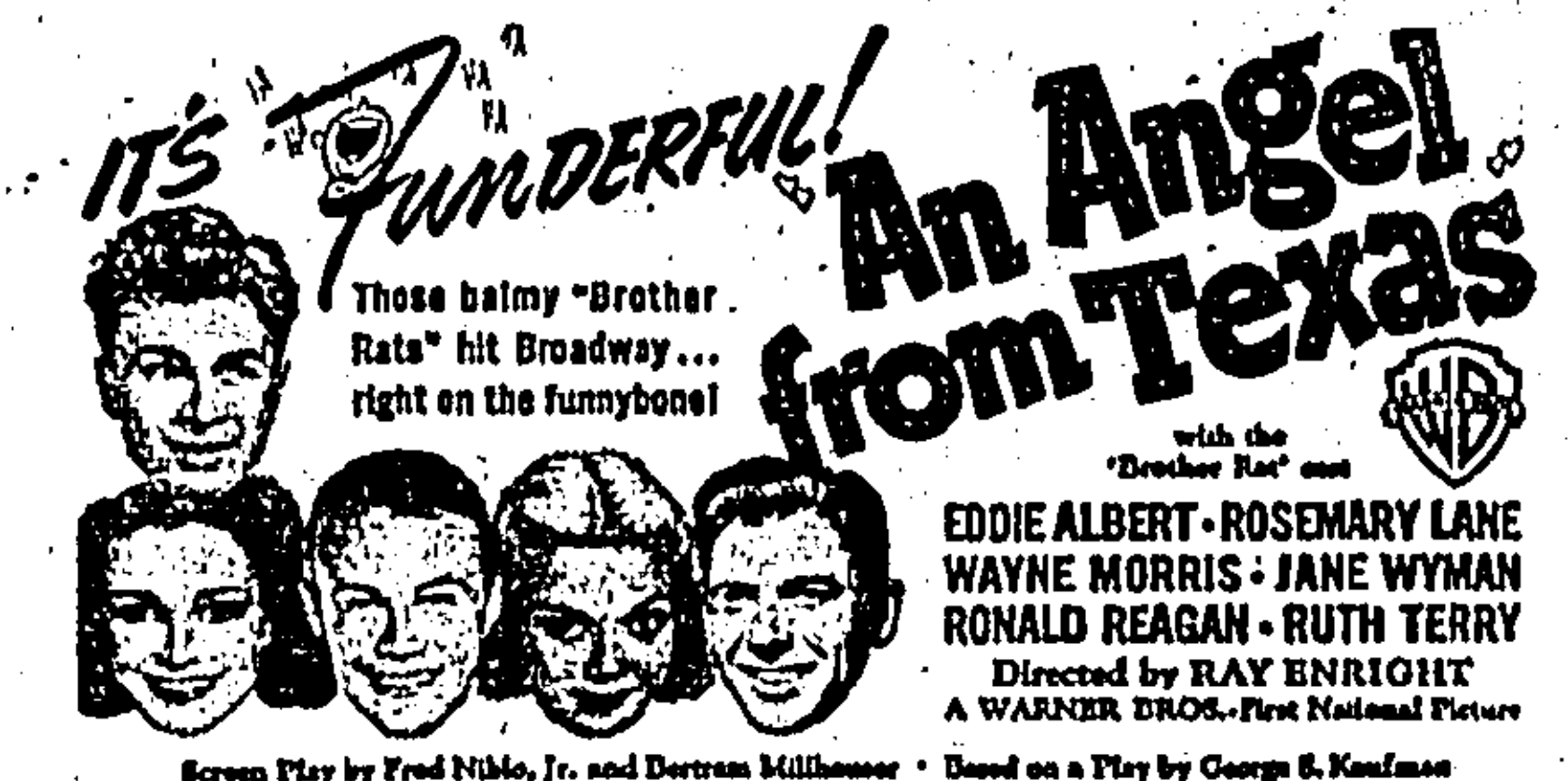


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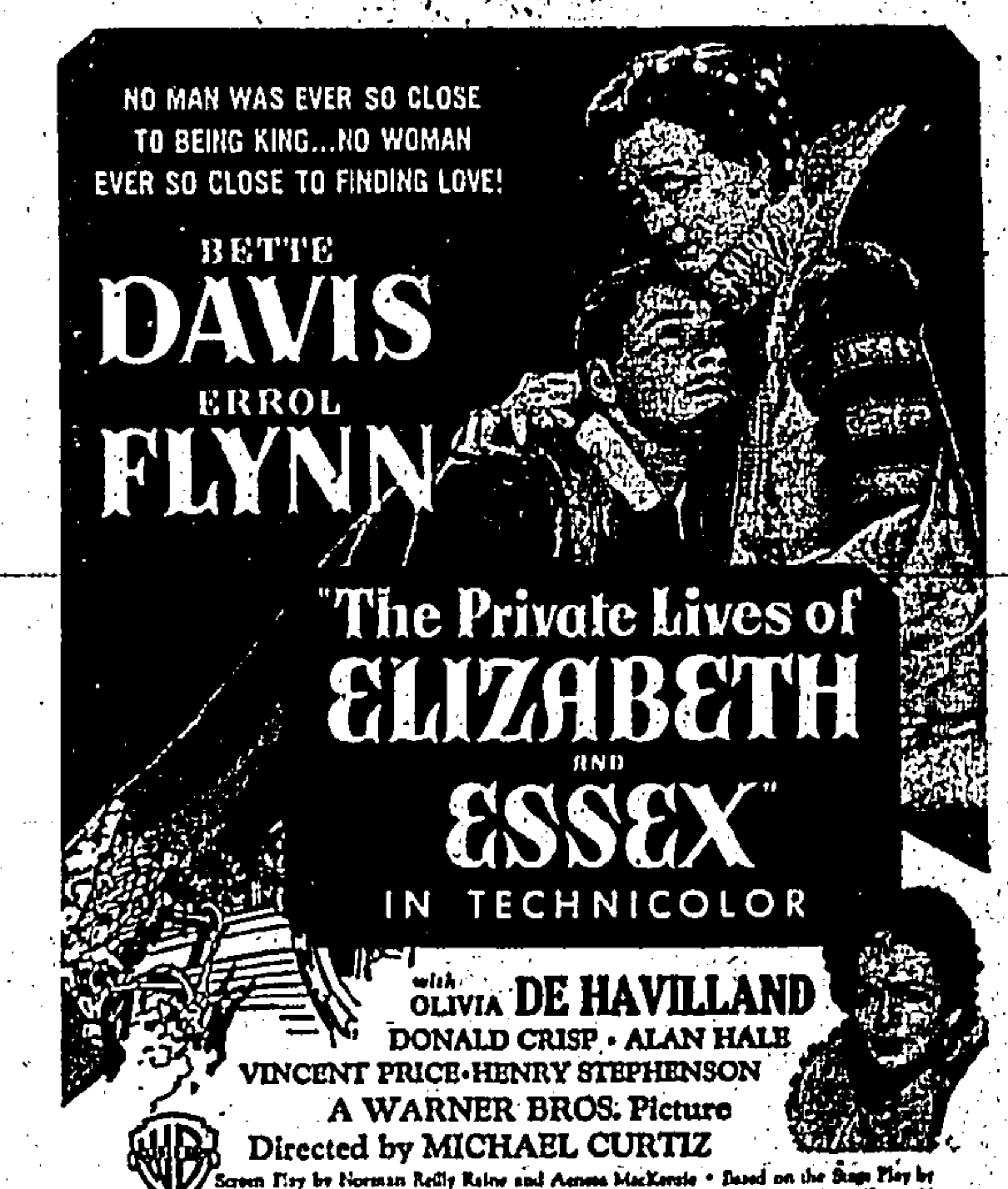


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VON PAPEN INTRIGUE IS SUSPECTED: SYRIA MAY BE NEXT ON LIST

Special to the "Telegraph"

ISTANBUL, MAY 14 (UP).—THE RETURN TO ISTANBUL OF HERR VON PAPEN THE NAZI AMBASSADOR, HAS STARTED NEW SPECULATIONS AS TO THE PURPOSE OF THE ENVOY'S SUDDEN VISIT TO BERLIN AND AS TO WHETHER HE IS TO MAKE DEMANDS ON TURKEY. WHILE NOTHING OFFICIAL IS OBTAINABLE FROM GERMAN OR TURKISH SOURCES, BEST INFORMED DIPLOMATIC QUARTERS BELIEVE THAT VON PAPEN'S REQUESTS TO TURKEY ARE SIMPLY ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL.

BRITISH FORCES STRENGTHENED

Iraq Situation Defined

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—The position in Iraq was defined by Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, in the House of Commons to-day.

Abyssinia Trap Is Closing

CAIRO, May 14 (Reuter).—A communiqué states:

"In Abyssinia, despite road obstruction and other physical difficulties, our two forces converging on Amba Alagi are making satisfactory progress.

"In the lakes area south of Addis Ababa, a further success has been gained by the capture of a strongly defended enemy position. The prisoners taken number 500 with two batteries of artillery, five light tanks and one anti-tank gun."

"Our troops have also occupied Algi, an important post north of Yovello."

"On the Neghelli-Dulle road, pursuit of the enemy is continuing."

"In an action on May 12 with the enemy rearguard, which was driven back with heavy losses, our troops captured over 100 prisoners."

Gallant Indian Troops
SIMLA, May 14 (Reuter).—A vivid account of how Indian troops at dawn on May 10 successfully attacked and captured further heights east of the enemy positions at Amba Alagi has been received from an Indian Army eye-witness.

"The first two hills were taken without much resistance but after the capture of a third hill, a heavy counter-attack was launched and our positions were fiercely bombarded by light mountain artillery and mortars."

"The Indians' experience of warfare on the North-West Frontier stood them in good stead, and they held their ground. The country was extraordinarily difficult and remarkable work was done by Indian soldiers in mule columns."

"One outstanding exploit among many was a bayonet charge led by TURN to Back Page, Column 3

Big demands such as the passage of troops, the repudiation by Turkey of her alliance with Britain and the linking instead of Turkey to the tri-Power pact, may come later, if and when Turkey is more fully isolated by events which may develop in Syria and Iraq.

It is believed that it is one of von Papen's main tasks to direct German activities in these countries.

Diplomatic quarters pointed out that there are no reports indicating any extraordinary German troops concentrations on the Turkish frontier such as would be expected as a prelude to any drastic German demands.

Speculation On Next Nazi Thrust

ANKARA, May 14 (Reuter).—The main topic of conversation here is where the Germans will move next. The most favoured spot is Syria.

M. Yalcin in the newspaper "Yeni Sabah" declares that the Germans will probably try to invade Egypt via Syria but adds: "How they will try and get to Syria is their affair—in any case they will not pass through Turkey. That we know definitely."

Other newspapers carry unconfirmed reports that German bombers have arrived at Mosul.

Many people are of the opinion that Hitler is trying to persuade Admiral Durlan to convince Marshal Petain to allow German troop planes to land in Syria, from where they can proceed to Iraq.

Concentrations
Another group points out that the Germans have at present 15 divisions in Moldavia, which is more than the number there before the invasion of the Balkans, adding that the Germans are known to have concentrated large sea-going barges on the Lower Danube.

This, they regard, means that Hitler either intends to attack Russia or else to use the threat of invasion to secure concessions from M. Stalin.

The Turkish Government are regarding the situation coolly and continue to take defence measures for which the National Assembly has voted an extra credit of 13,500,000 Turkish pounds.

Advice To Americans
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ANKARA, May 13 (Dome).—Americans residing in Turkey, Iraq, Syria, Palestine and Egypt have been advised by their Consuls to proceed immediately to the Suez Canal and embark on four American vessels now waiting there to effect their evacuation.

A cheque for \$2,000 for the Bomber Fund was received this morning from Mr John Fleming.

Answers To Correspondents
"X-Word Enthusiasts": You are correct. It was a misprint in the official solution.—Ed. H.K.T.

With the return of von Papen the German Ambassador, to Istanbul, attention has again been riveted on Turkey, which may be expected to indulge in closer economic collaboration with the Reich, and eventually to face even more important demands from Berlin. The accompanying map illustrates the strategic position of Turkey in the Near East.



Enemy Columns Withdrawing In The Western Desert

("Reuter" With Mobile Patrol in Western Desert)

CAIRO, May 14.—Not only are the Germans being held on the whole of the 50-mile front some 40 miles inside the Egyptian border, but reconnaissance planes reported on Tuesday that one or two of the five columns appeared to be withdrawn.

This may mean that they had to abandon their intention of thrusting along the coast simultaneously with an attempt to cut off the Allied forces by a southward sweep across the desert.

BALKED IN BALKANS Effects On Nazis Will Be Severe

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—

"We shall see it through," declared Mr L. S. Amery, Secretary of State for India, speaking at Coventry this evening. He was referring to the Battle of the Atlantic.

After recalling how the first air battle of Britain last autumn "put an end to all Hitler's dreams of walking into and over unarmed England," Mr Amery said: "The second air and submarine battle covering both Britain and its Atlantic approaches is in progress. It calls for all our energy and skill to meet it."

Secret Session
ANKARA, May 14 (Reuter).—Herr Franz von Papen, the German Ambassador, paid the customary call of an ambassador returning to his post at the Foreign Office to-day and saw M. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister.

The Turkish Cabinet held its usual weekly meeting later in the day after which M. Sarajoglu addressed the People's Party secret session for an hour on the subject of foreign affairs.

The Premier, Dr Refik Saydam, then gave a resume of foreign developments, after which the meeting, in the words of an official communiqué, ended in an outburst of applause.

Balkans
Alluding to the Balkans, Mr Amery said: "The strain thrown upon Germany in a wholly unexpected campaign in the Balkans may well have thrown out of gear the whole of Hitler's plans. Its effects upon Germany's communications and sources of supply may indeed be felt fully in the course of the coming months."

Iraq
Dealing with Iraq, Mr Amery said that a highly dangerous situation had been developing. We had forced Raschid Ali and his clique to show their hand in the vain hope that German help could reach them in time.

We lanced a dangerous boil just as it came to a head. "In the action we have taken, we have entertained no designs against Iraq's independence for which we, as a country—and, I might add, I myself when formerly in office—have done everything in our power."

"We ask for no more than fulfilment of those obligations of an alliance which Iraq accepted freely as the only effective guarantee of her own security."

ALBANIA
Duce Declares Country At Peace From May 20
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, May 14 (UP).—The official Gazette to-day published a decree issued by Mussolini whereby Albania, beginning May 20 ceases to be a war zone.

Former H.K. Man Killed By Nazi Bomb

The sad news has been received here of the death by enemy action of Mr Tom Hynes, aged 61, former Superintendent of Mails here and a resident of the Colony from 1904 to 1936.

Two sons and a daughter are in Hongkong and sympathy is felt for them by the many friends whom their father made during a long and active association with Colony life.

Mr Hynes joined the Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps in London early on in the war but was invalided out. Later he met Mr E. D. C. Wolfe, former Inspector General of Police in Hongkong at whose invitation he became an Air Raid Precaution warden in Kensington. The news of Mr Hynes' death was received by cable on Monday and it is thought that he was killed in the blitz on Saturday.

Mr Hynes' Career
Mr Hynes retired in May of 1936 after 22 years' service in the Post Office. He came to Hongkong in 1904 and joined the Police Force but two years later he went to the Sanitary Department and from there he transferred to the Post Office in 1914.

A native of New Zealand Mr Hynes served in the Boer War in the Transvaal and he settled on land acquired there. He did not find this venture a success and then decided to try his fortune in Hongkong.

Desmond and Brian Hynes, two sons are employed in the Post Office here and there are two married daughters, one an accomplished singer Mrs Mansell-Dyer who is in Cornwall, and Mrs Patsy Stott who is in the Colony.

"Sunken" British Fleet: Fantastic Italian Claims

("Reuter's" Correspondent With British Mediterranean Fleet)

Aboard H.M.S. Ark Royal, May 14.—We have just been listening on the radio to fantastic Italian claims of ships and aircraft brought down during last week's air attack on the British warships escorting a convoy in the western Mediterranean.

We were steaming along merrily, quite unaware that we had been struck by three torpedoes, and the glowing account of the damage inflicted on our ships gave us a good laugh after the grim eight-hours' battle between the British fighters, ships and guns and Axis bombers.

The simple truth is that Italian bombers escorted by hundreds of fighters and assisted by Nazi Stukas and Messerschmitts with favourable weather failed to secure even a near miss on any ship, but were given such rough handling by our fighters and a tremendous concentration of nearly 100 A.A. guns that they lost seven aircraft for certain, and five more were badly damaged.

Four actual attacks materialised in the day of perpetual threats—two by torpedo bombers and two high-flying bombers. Every minute of the day was spent in the air. TURN to Back Page, Column 5

Hess had Correspondence With Duke of Hamilton

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—Ringed in blue pencil on Rudolf Hess' map on which Hess piloted his course from Augsburg to Scotland was the ducal seat of the Duke of Hamilton in Lanarkshire.

When in the gathering dusk on Saturday night Hess made his dramatic crash landing some eight miles from Glasgow, the first thing he asked was the way to Dungavel. He had mistaken a large house which he sighted as the mansion he was seeking, and, failing to find a suitable landing ground, he decided to descend by parachute.

Despite his damaged ankle, he wanted to be taken to the Duke's house which he thought was nearby. According to McLean, the ploughman who found him, Hess did not say why he wanted to see the Duke, but obviously he was very anxious to do so.

It is recalled in an official German news agency broadcast to-day that Hess met the Duke of Hamilton at the Olympic Games of 1936 which were held in Berlin.

SINGLE PLANE RAIDS BRITAIN

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—Bombs were dropped by single aircraft at points on the south coast, in the East Midlands and in eastern England to-day, says the Air Ministry.

Little damage was done and the number of casualties was small. The total planes destroyed in daylight on Sunday, May 11, are now stated to be six, anti-aircraft guns claiming an additional success.

One bomber was brought down over England last night.

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GREATER SALVAGE EFFORT

The Ministry of Supply is starting a new salvage campaign. The results obtained last year are regarded as satisfactory, but greater efforts are required.

The compulsory collection of salvage, previously confined to the larger local authorities, is to be undertaken in urban districts with populations of between 5,000 and 10,000.

The Controller of Salvage, Mr. Harold G. Judd, said that housewives last year helped to save 40 shiploads of paper, enough metal to build 10,000 tanks, and kitchen waste to feed 100,000 pigs. About 800,000 tons of material was sold back to industry for £2,200,000. If that material had been imported it would have filled 160 ships.

Far too much paper, he said, is being put into the refuse bin. Litter was still disfiguring streets and open spaces, and far too much paper was being used for fire lighting.

Rags Badly Needed

Apart from newspapers, there was a vast amount of material, such as old books, magazines, music, and office records which should be put out gradually or in response to local appeals. Rags are badly needed for remaking into roof felt and window coverings for bombed houses, into blankets, clothing, and certain kinds of paper.

Mr. Judd pointed out that in addition to the 250,000 tons of metals obtained from ordinary collections, village dumps and the railings campaign had brought in thousands of tons.

"We must recover more waste paper, more scrap metal, more kitchen bones, and kitchen waste," he said. "Every scrap saved means money, labour, and material saved, and needless risk of life at sea avoided."

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks	1,305 b.
H.K. Banks	72½ n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.)	70½ n.
Chartered	1,034 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	22½ n.
Mercantile C. & D.	11½ n.
East Asia	70 b.

INSURANCES	
Cantons	220 n.
Union	405 n.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire	170 b.

SHIPPING	
Douglas	128 n.
Steamboats	8 n.
Indo-China P.	80 b.
Indo-China D.	80 n.
Shell (Barracks)	41/3 n.
Waterboats	6.55 n.

DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	85½ n.
Docks	15 n.
Provident	5 b.
Shal Dockyards	25 n.

MINING	
Kailan s/-	12/6 n.
Anglo	8 n.
H.K. Mines	1½ cts. n.

LANDS	
Hotels	2.85 b.
Lands	31.10 b.
Lands 4% Debentures	97½ n.
Shal Lands Sh.	12.00 n.
Humphreys	6.70 n.
H.K. Realities	2.70 b. & sa.
Chinese Estates	99 n.

UTILITIES	
Trams	10.10 n.
Peak Trams (old)	7½ n.
Peak Trams (new)	3½ n.
Star Ferries	51¾ n.
Y. Ferries x.d.	21.35 n.
China Lights (old)	5.70 n.
China Lights (new)	14 n.
H.K. Electric (old) x. rts.	22½ n.
H.K. Electric (new)	21½ n.
H.K. Electric Rts	11½ n.
Macao Electric	10.15 n.
Sandakan Lights	12 n.
Telephones (old)	22½ n.
Telephones (new)	0¼ n.

INDUSTRIALS	
Cald: Macg. (Ord.), Sh.	30 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh.	25 n.
Canton Ices	1 n.
Cement	14 n.
H.K. Ropes	0¼ n.

STOCKS, &c.	
Dairy Farms	17½ n.
Watsons	0.20 b.
Lane Crowds	7½ n.
Sinceres	2.15 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	30 n.
Powell Ltd.	1½ n.

COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh.	35 n.
Shal Cotton Sh.	200 n.

MISG.	
H.K. Govt. 4%	07 n.
H.K. Govt. 3½% (1934)	04½ n.
H.K. Govt. 3½% (1940)	04 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1928 Gds.	28 n.
Entertainments	0¼ b.
Contractions (old)	1.60 n.
Contractions (new)	1 n.
Vibro Piling	7.20 n.
Warrana Inv. (Long)	078 n.
Warrana Inv. (H.K.)	2/15 n.

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THE SIXTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 10th July, 1941, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 3rd July to the 24th July inclusive.

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Hong Kong, 14th May, 1941.

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The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 7th May to the 21st May, 1941, both days inclusive.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 19th day of May, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at North Point, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rental	Upset Price
1	100/100	North Point	as per sale plan.	about 9,000	\$110	\$2,000

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$900.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 19th day of May, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Repulse Bay Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rental	Upset Price
2	100/100	Repulse Bay Road	as per sale plan.	about 20,000	\$230	\$4,000

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CHEKIANG FIGHTING REPORTS

CHUNGKING, May 14 (Central News).—Fighting south of Chuki on the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway increased in violence yesterday.

About 3,000 Japanese troops, making a thrust toward Hengshanshi, to the east of the railway were held in check by the Chinese to the northwest of the town. Another 3,000 Japanese troops driving down the railway from Fallowen were heavily engaged at Huang, a station to the south.

After being halted for two days, the Japanese driving southward from Tansai to the west of the railway called in reinforcements yesterday and advanced to Wangshassu. Th. Chinese retired to Fuchai, south of Wangshassu where they are holding out.

On Han River

On the east bank of the Han River in Hupei the Chinese and Japanese are still fighting. On the morning of May 12 a Japanese unit sailing forth Fengloho, about 30 miles of Chungshang, was repulsed. The Chinese wrested back Changshoutien, south-east of Fengloho.

Chinese troops were sent in pursuit of the Japanese pushing southward from the Siangyang-Huayuan highway and on May 11 and 12 they evicted the Japanese who had entered Tangchiatien, Tapetien and Tsingtan. The Japanese retreated to Huanamchen, northwest of Suishien, where the Chinese are closing in.

Books In Gaelic For The 51st

Hundreds of Gaelic publications have been sent to officers and men of the 51st (Highland) Division who were captured by the Germans.

That the first batch of books, contributed by Gaelic organisations in London and Scotland, has arrived safely is confirmed by a letter from Lord Tarbat, 36-year-old Highland laird, which has just been received by his wife at Castle Leod, Strathcree.

Lord Tarbat, who is a major in the Scots Guards and was captured last June, writes from a German prison camp that this is the first time in his career he has had a chance to learn Gaelic. He hopes when the war is over to be able to speak to his tenants in their native tongue.

Lord Tarbat's mother, Lady Cromartie, who is countess in her own right, is chief of the Inverness Gaelic Society. She does not speak Gaelic, but was appointed lady chief of the society because of her interest in Gaelic lore.

Italy Tells Japan Will Enter War When United States Starts

ROME, May 14 (UP).—Writing in the "Giornale d'Italia" to-day, Signor Gayda declared that the United States entry into the conflict would automatically cause Japan to enter the conflict and therefore war would become inter-continental. He stressed that Japan's interests lie with the Axis against the Anglo-Saxons.

QUO TAI-CHI Delays Flight

SHANGHAI, May 14 (International).—Dr. Quo Tai-chi, the new Chinese Minister of Foreign Affairs, postponed his flight to Hongkong from San Francisco by the Philippine Clipper which was originally scheduled at 3 p.m. to-day, according to a San Francisco telegram received here.

Informed Chinese quarters in San Francisco said that the flight had been delayed by the minister's intention to participate in the meeting which opens the China Week on May 18 to be held by the United States associations to aid China, the message adds.

Anti-British Activities In Peiping

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—Questioned by Mr. I. C. Hannan as to what action had been taken with reference to the declaration of the Chairman of the Peiping People's Anti-British Association that no leniency should be shown to anybody openly selling British goods, Mr. Anthony Eden, in the House of Commons to-day, said that he had called for a report and would then consider what action may be appropriate.

London, May 14. The Norwegian Minister in Moscow, who is no longer recognised by the Soviet Government, has left for Stockholm, according to a Moscow despatch quoted by the Lyons Radio.

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4 m/s L/C	25
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U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02½
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Mass Flight Of Bombers To Hawaii

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". WASHINGTON, May 14 (UP).—The War Department announced to-day that 21 "Flying Fortress" bombers completed a mass flight from San Francisco to Hawaii in a move to strengthen the Island's defenses.

The War Department stated that the bombers took off 6.29 P.S.T. last night under the leadership of Lieutenant General Delos Emmons, of the General Headquarters Air Force as commander, and landed safely at Hickam Field, Oahu, at 8.28 a.m. P.S.T. to-day.

The announcement said that the bombers are the latest models of 25-ton Boeing long-range bombers known as B-17 and have the most modern armament. More medium bombers having an operation range of 800 miles at sea and more "Flying Fortresses" will be sent to Hawaii "in the near future."

The Army for the past several months has been strengthening the Hawaii defenses with new pursuit planes and twin-engined bombers.

BOMBS ON HELIGOLAND

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, May 14 (UP).—An Air Ministry communique stated, "During daylight yesterday, Bomber Command aircraft attacked the naval base on the fortified island of Heligoland. Bombs were dropped on the jetties and buildings causing a number of fires. Machine-gun attacks were also made from very low levels on the barracks and gun positions. None of our aircraft is missing. A successful attack was made on shipping in the docks at St. Nazaire. Two of our aircraft are missing."

TRAINING CADRE The Military Authorities announce that there will be no Training Cadre parade on Friday, May 16. The parade will be held as usual on Tuesday, May 20.

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EVACUATES OF IRAQ FIRED ON

Story From Bombay BOMBAY, May 14 (Reuter).—A vivid story of how British women and children were evacuated from Habbaniyah to Basra amidst the crash of bombs, the clatter of machine-guns and the intermittent bursting of shells was told by members of the latest batch to arrive safely here.

Some of the party, which numbered 100 and was probably the last to leave Habbaniyah, had miraculous escapes. The planes in which they were being evacuated were subjected to an "unsuccessful baptism of fire" by Raschid Ali's men.

A high official of the British Colonial Office, who had been in Iraq for many years and who arrived in India with his wife, said that all was quiet at Basra where the Muzari (Iraq Provincial Governor) was carrying on the administration as usual.

Minority Riving There was neither tension nor excitement perceptible, indicating that the rising was limited to a minority, fed and inspired by Axis propagandists.

Raschid Ali's men assured safe conduct of British women and children from Basra to Habbaniyah from where they were flown in R.A.F. machines to Basra. But when the first plane took off from the airport, it was fired on.

The evacuation, however, was carried out without interruption and without loss.

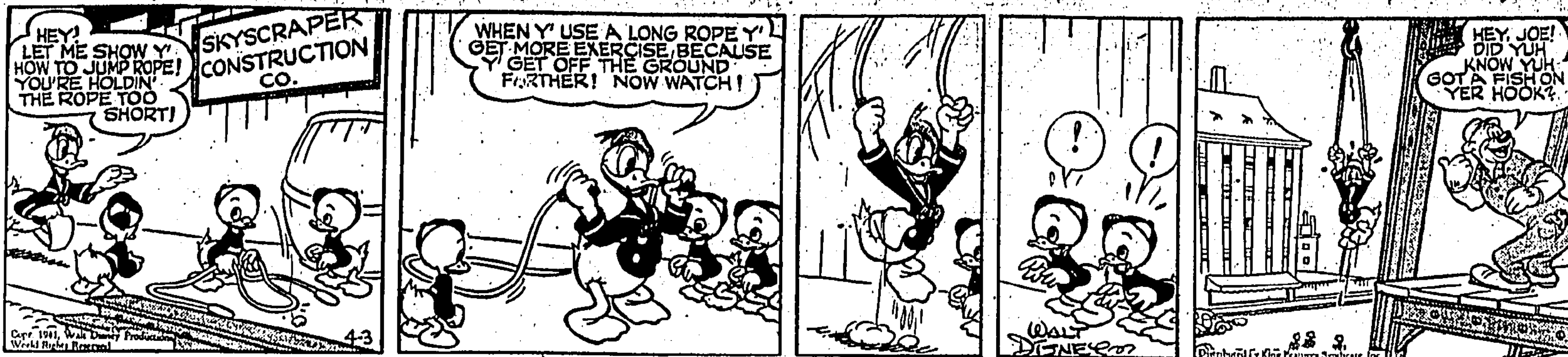
Chinese Envoy To Visit Hongkong

CHUNGKING, May 14 (Central News).—Dr. Wei Tuo-ming, newly-appointed Chinese Ambassador to Vichy, is on his way to Hongkong. He will remain in the British Colony for two weeks and then return to Chungking and set out for Vichy via Moscow. He expects to meet the new Foreign Minister, Dr. Quo Tai-chi, either in Hongkong or Chungking before leaving for his new post.

Dr. T. F. Tsang, former Chinese Ambassador to Moscow and now Director of the Political Affairs Department of the Executive Yuan, is acting temporarily as concurrent Secretary-General of the Executive Yuan which post has been vacated by Dr. Wei Tuo-ming, pending the formal appointment of a successor which is expected soon.

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ANNA NEAGLE

the famous British film star, acted as host to the crews of the British ships, Glenwood and Langley, in New York recently, when at the same time the New York British War Relief Society shipped two portable canteens to England. Miss Neagle distributed wearing apparel and other useful presents to the crew. Her latest picture, "No, No, Nanette" is due soon at the King's Theatre.



Berlin - Vichy Secret Agreement Alleged

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter). —Well-informed circles in Vichy are of the opinion that the Franco-German discussions have covered a wider field than mere economic matters and that they have not yet reached the final stages, reports the Swiss radio.

The negotiations, it is said, dealt with France's place in the new Europe of Germany and Italy.

It is also reported that the Armistice Clause will be revised and that a new demarcation line will be established between the Occupied and Unoccupied zones.

Nothing definite is yet known of French concessions to Berlin but the main German idea seems to be to oppose the Anglo-Saxon industrial bloc by a European industrial bloc in which French metallurgical and mining industries would play an important part.

Berchtesgaden Again
 LONDON, May 14 (Reuter). —The recent meeting between Hitler and Admiral Darlan took place at Berchtesgaden, according to the Swiss radio quoting Vichy reports.

Herr von Ribbentrop and Field Marshal Kettel were present.

Admiral Darlan arrived by special train from Paris, accompanied by the Nazi Ambassador there, Herr Otto Abetz, and Commandant Fontaine of the French Ministry of Marine.

The Swiss announcer added that it had been unofficially stated in Vichy that Admiral Darlan would shortly go to Paris where he would have a fresh meeting with a "high German personality" with the view to putting into operation the agreement already reached in principle.

CAPTOR OF HESS IS NEW HERO

But Protests He Is No Film Star

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter). —Officers of the Special Branch of Scotland Yard throughout the day have been checking all callers at the hospital where Rudolf Hess is detained.

A military guard also has been posted at the gates, only authorised persons being allowed to pass.

A horde of newsreel men to-day descended upon the ploughman, David McLean, and begged him to re-enact his part in the capture of Hess.

McLean declared: "I am not wanting to be a film star—I have no time to go to pictures." When newsreel men said that they would come back later, McLean replied: "It will need to be later. A ploughman's work is never done."

Posed Ploughing

In response to their entreaties, he said: "You can take me while I am ploughing." So the cameramen staggered over the rough ploughed field and, greatly amused, said to his horse: "You can think a lot more of yourself to-day, Silver!"

When the photographers had finished, McLean told them: "You people coming up here and keeping me off my work has been more trouble than the German was."

Hallucinations
 BASLE, May 14 (Reuter). —The letter left by Rudolf Hess contains no signs that Hess deserted in consequence of hallucinations.

According to the "Basler Nachrichten" correspondent in Berlin, this is officially stated in Berlin.

The statement, the correspondent adds, warns the public against drawing conclusions from statements about Hess from England which Britain is using for propaganda purposes and which already have been branded as obtained under duress.

Tells of Hardship
 LONDON, May 14 (Reuter). —Hess is reported to have told farm people of the hardship now being experienced in Germany and of the great distress amongst the people there over the bombing by the R.A.F. and of the suffering of the civilian population.

Lord Gort At Gib

GIBRALTAR, May 14 (Reuter). —The new Governor of Gibraltar, General Lord Gort, assumed command to-day and took the oath of allegiance at Government House.

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Diplomat Is Best-Seller

BRITAIN has a new best-seller, out-topping most others. It is "Black Record," reprint of Sir Robert Vansittart's broadcast talks on Germany. More than 250,000 copies, the publishers told me, have now been sold. They say the demand shows no sign of dropping.

This information set me thinking of the days when the "Times" was implicitly advocating the secession to Germany of the Sudetenland and publishing a letter jointly signed by, among others, Barry Domville, Lord Londonderry and Pitt-Rivers, saying, "We see . . . the promise of a new era compared to which the tragic years that have gone since the war will seem like a bad dream"—the days just before and after Munich.

I USED sometimes then to seek comfort in a large room at the end of the ground floor corridor of the Foreign Office. It contained no Munich-fancier.

It was a large, dingily opulent room with two windows on St James's Park, two on the Horse Guards. Besides furniture, it contained two globes, and on an expensive easel a map of Europe, from which nearly all the colours had faded, so that, with the exception of these islands, it looked almost as though the greater part of the Continent was one huge state. I thought it an omen at the time.

THE room belonged—it still does—to Sir Robert Vansittart, Chief Diplomatic Adviser to the Government.

Let us admit that if his advice was not asked at the time of Munich, his own temperament may have had something to do with it. He does not suffer fools as gladly, perhaps, as a diplomat should. On the other hand the amateurs who then controlled our foreign policy didn't suffer wise men gladly. The rest is history.

If all that seems past, it has something to do with the violent attacks made on him, for "Black Record," if it is his view of the German nation, is, by implication, his justification and a round condemnation of the Munichers.

WHAT is this pamphlet? It is an analysis of the German temperament, pointed with historical references; and it concludes with suggestions as to how Germany's perpetual desire to dominate the world can best be curbed in future. Its moral is that Goethe was right when he said that as an individual the German is a human being, but that as a race they are impossible.

It is written in exuberant language, extravagant, if you like. I grant that. It is only fair to say, however, that some of the attacks made on Vansittart's thesis have been neither prejudiced nor violent. Many who have given much thought to the German problem disagree honestly with Vansittart; and have said so.

But nearly all the attacks—both from Right and Left—have been by implication: D. N. Pritt asks the Minister of Information what use Dr Goebbels has made of Vansittart's material. The answer, of course, is "None."

The "Times," finding nothing better to attack him about, attacks him for having spoken in public at all, which is irrelevant.

Let us leave it at that. But what sort of man is this who can perform the astonishing feat of making bedfellows out of Pritt and Dawson who edits the "Times"?

★
 If I were asked to whom I would most surely apply the word "civilised" the face of Vansittart would come into my head and stay there. I could hardly describe him: he is too lively, even at 59, to be pinned down. You feel that he shouldn't be indoors, that a tennis racket might appear suddenly in his hand, and that he wouldn't serve a fault. Or that he's only waiting for the right moment to sit down and dash on paper some thought that has suddenly taken shape behind two sharp, pale eyes.

In the years I've known him I have hardly ever seen him sit down, except at a meal. Walking about his room with a Turkish cigarette between his fingers, he will suddenly put his hands up to his elegant head, as though he had just remembered some desperately unhappy piece of news. But that isn't it, at all, for when he takes them down again a second later he will be smiling. It's just a habit.

He's tall, broad-shouldered, and if he has the kind of face that has never known what hardship is, that doesn't mean that it hasn't known something of great disappointments.

★
 I DON'T know, but I guess that he would wish to be more remembered as a poet than as a diplomat. But he won't be, of course.

If I envied any man I should envy the one who will come to write his biography in 60 or 70 years' time. He will be writing the history of Britain's most tremendous period; and looking at the photographs that will be available to him, he will wonder why, perhaps, this man had a face that was not bitter.

Philip Jordan

ENEMY SHIPPING LOSSES

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter). —Enemy shipping was continually attacked by units of the British Fleet and R.A.F. during the week ending May 12.

At least 12 vessels, ranging from an armed merchant cruiser (sunk by H.M.S. Cornwall in the Indian Ocean) to patrol vessels destroyed off the coasts of Norway, Holland, France and Germany, were sunk or rendered total losses.

Five supply ships with an estimated tonnage of 18,000 tons were sunk and at least six others were severely damaged.

During the attack by British naval forces on Benghazi Harbour on May 8, an enemy ammunition ship of between 5,000 and 6,000 tons was blown to pieces and a supply ship of 3,000 tons was sunk in the same engagement, while a further bombardment from point blank range on the night of May 10 caused more damage to enemy shipping and military objectives.

Attacks on Warships

The R.A.F. made two more successful attacks on the battle-cruisers, Scharnhorst and Gneisenau, at Brest on the nights of May 3 and 7, and it is certain that direct hits with powerful armour-piercing bombs were obtained.

On May 11, the German merchant vessel, Coburg, of 11,400 tons, which has been acting as a supply ship to a German raider in the Indian Ocean, and the Norwegian tanker, Ketty Brovig, of 7,000 tons, captured by the raider, were intercepted by the Australian warship Canberra and H.M.S. Leander.

A number of Norwegians and Chinese were rescued and 18 German officers and 47 ratings were taken prisoner.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday, is:

Buyers

H.K. Banks \$1,305
 Canton Ins. \$210
 H.K. Fire Ins. X.O. \$170
 Indo-China (Pref.) \$81
 Provident \$4.90
 Hotels \$2.85
 Lands \$21
 Realities \$2.70
 Macao Electric \$10.15
 Ropes \$0.20
 Watsons \$9
 Entertainments \$0.25

Sellers

Trams \$10.10
 Comets \$10
 Ropes \$0.55
 Watsons \$9.25

Sales

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 Electric "N" \$21.25
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 Macao Electric \$10

Crossword Puzzle

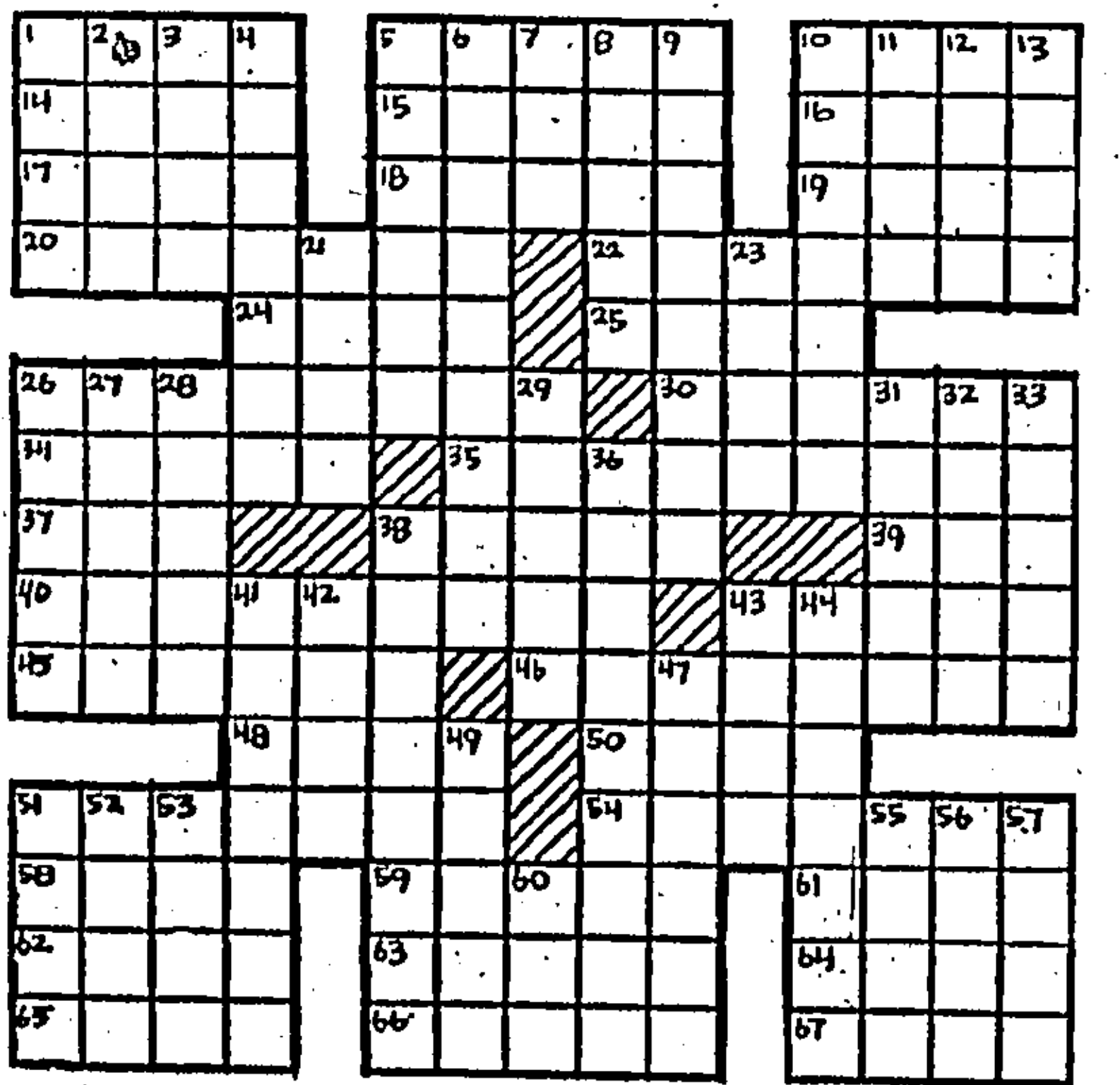
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- 1—Was transported
- 2—Experienced pain
- 3—Strike together with sharp sound
- 4—Dark portion of eye
- 5—Wanting in lightness
- 6—Former Arabian coin
- 7—Soft part of mouth
- 8—Unit of wine measurement
- 9—Pertaining to amphi
- 10—Struck with sudden force
- 11—Letter of literary excellence
- 12—Makes mistake
- 13—Wined borders
- 14—Hider away
- 15—Church steeples
- 16—Ancient much to
- 17—Becoming obscure
- 18—Dull
- 19—Grinding tooth
- 20—Clerk "I"
- 21—Robber
- 22—Cut in two
- 23—Caught glimpse of
- 24—Those who examine specimens of work
- 25—Musical air
- 26—Still waste (English)
- 27—Strategic
- 28—Whirl alloy
- 29—Carbonated drink
- 30—Conqueror of Jerusalem
- 31—Antic bird
- 32—One who foretells events
- 33—Ancient Roman official

DOWN

- 1—Compound ether
- 2—One who regards as
- 3—Standard work of literature
- 4—British, merry song
- 5—Salt inland sea in Russian Turkestan
- 6—Remove out
- 7—Covering of
- 8—Allowance for transportation waste
- 9—Motor evil spirits
- 10—Outer form
- 11—English politician
- 12—Becomes frolicsome
- 13—Telling
- 14—Business transactions
- 15—On ships, pine rope
- 16—Do inside
- 17—Celestial bodies
- 18—Polonous spider
- 19—Acted as intervening agency
- 20—Famous waterfall
- 21—True skin
- 22—Exaggerate
- 23—Derived from
- 24—Salute
- 25—Efficient catcher of rodents, as cat
- 26—English politician
- 27—French feminine suffix
- 28—Man's name
- 29—Fifteenth of July
- 30—Devoid of clothes
- 31—Bickness
- 32—Citrus brew
- 33—Extreme end of cart (Prov. Eng.)



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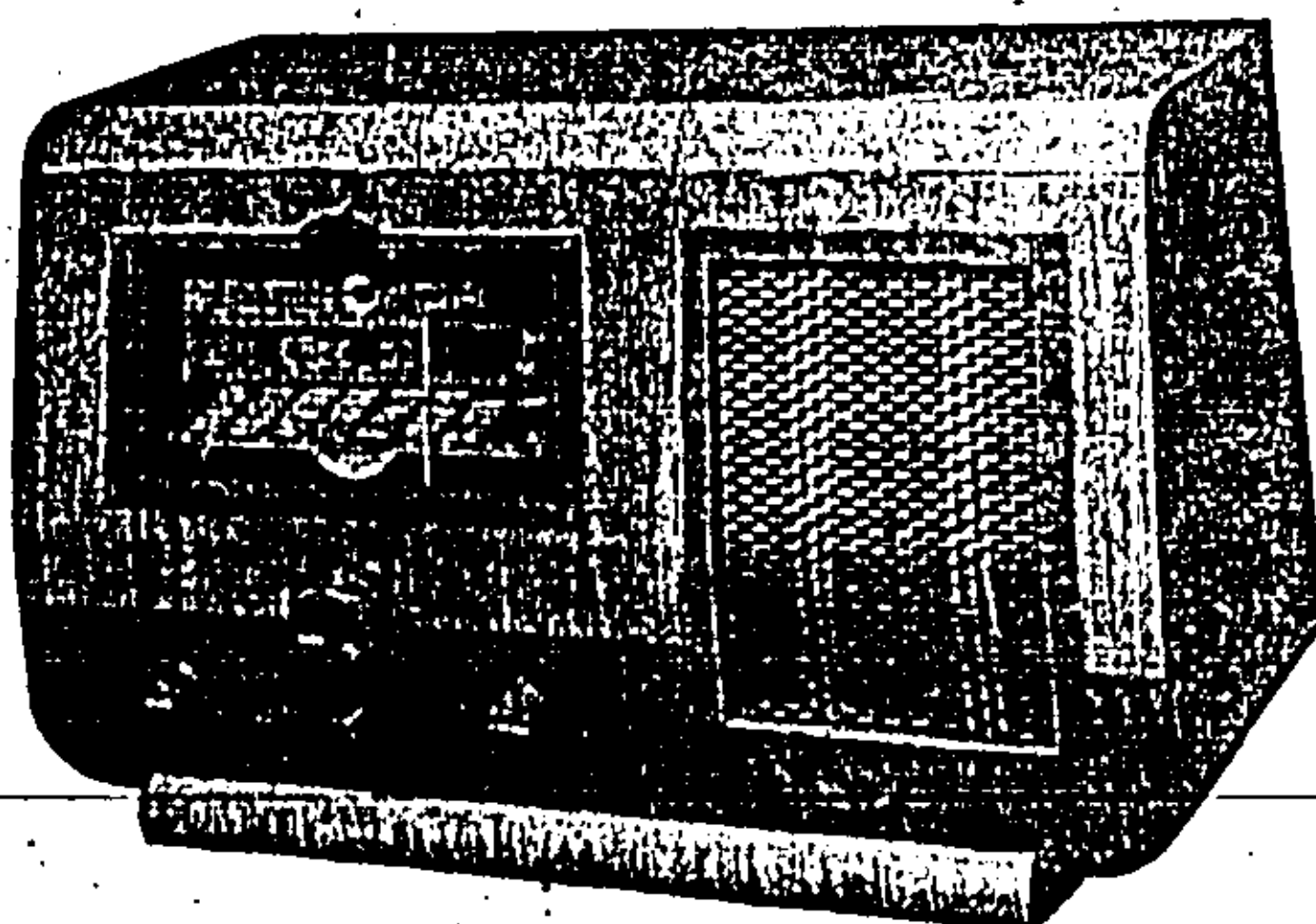


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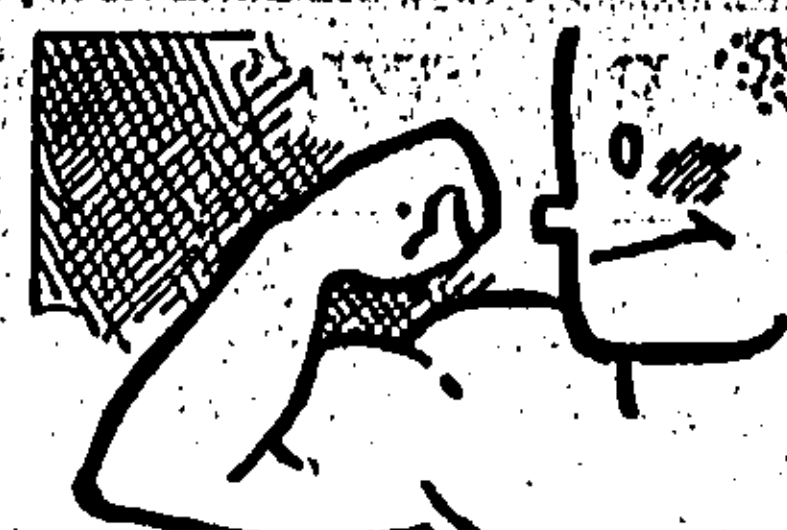
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HYNES: Killed by enemy action in
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The
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EXPLOITERS BEATEN

THE lesson, that determined and sincere effort, backed by honest motives can always, in the long run, overcome unscrupulous dealings has again been taught by the immediate results of the establishment in Hongkong of "fair-price" rice shops, which, within 48 hours smashed the Colony's rice profiteering market. The foresight and courage of a number of public-minded people brought this about. Before the inauguration of the "fair price" selling centres, many of the rice dealers openly snapped their fingers at Government legislation which endeavoured to control prices; and as if the flaunting of the law were not sufficient, numbers of dealers resorted to nefarious tricks in order to grasp that little extra profit at the expense of the purchasers, such as watering the rice to make it heavy, or adulterating it by mixing the grades, then charging Grade A prices.

This sort of sharp practice was outright dishonesty and fraud which could only be successfully countered and rendered unprofitable by the appearance of competitors willing to sell pure, fair weight rice at the legal prices. Happily such public spirited and disinterested people were to be found in the Social Work Committee which formed itself for this express task. As a result, the situation in the rice market has taken a violent change—for the better. Adulteration of rice is still being carried out by some retailers, but so impressive was their loss of business for two days that in sheer desperation they brought their prices below the official rate per picul by one dollar. This was the principal aim of the "fair price" centres. They were not set up for the purpose of competing with the merchants on a profit-making basis, nor of forcing the dealers out of business unless they refused to listen to reason. The Social Work Committee were determined to make the licensed retailers adhere to the official prices, and to prevent them from exploiting any further the thousands of poor people who rely on rice for their sustenance.

This was a worthy aim, which evoked not only the sympathy of all fair-minded people, but, happily, enjoyed a prompt and

BITTER WINTER

Full story of the Amazing February Weather in England

It is now possible to reveal that the worst snowstorm since 1917 swept the north of England in the middle of February. Many towns and villages in Cumberland, Westmorland, Northumberland, and Yorkshire were isolated for days; rail and bus services were interrupted; supplies ran short; district nurses were isolated with their patients; buses went through snow cuttings in ten-foot drifts with the walls topping their roofs; some vehicles were buried for nearly a week, and at one time a large number of lorries and cars were held up in the north by the blocking of a famous pass. While this was happening in the north, most of the south was having normal weather.

Personal service highlights in this widespread storm were the way district nurses carried on in face of great difficulties and girls drove heavy Army lorries over hills, where some of them had to stay stormbound for the night.

I reached the approaches to the pass on the night before the thaw cleared the road sufficiently for alternate one-way traffic to be operated. Snow and traffic blocks made it impossible to go further.

At every hillside bay there were jams of traffic. Drivers were crowded in wayside cafes or sleeping in outhouses. Police and A.A. scouts in phone touch with control points regulated traffic.

They told me that at the worst of the jam a hundred or so vehicles were held up in one town, every cul-de-sac, yard, and some streets being temporary car parks. On the other side there were numbers more, and others were stuck at various points between, where many drifts went to eight or ten feet and a few to fifteen.

A hearse with coffin going to Preston for burial was snowed up for five days; a bus completely buried; a heavy load of biscuits for export lay on its side in a drift; there were lorries with fish and meat; heavy wagons, some tarpaulined, some exposed to the weather—loads of granite, concrete blocks, a petrol tank 25ft. long.

Woman at the wheel

A convoy of twenty lorries, driven by girls, had just come through. Some of the vehicles were 30cwt., some 5-tonners.

They came over the pass one night when days of digging had cleared a temporary one-way for traffic, but near the summit another heavy fall of snow came down. Eighteen of the twenty got through. The driver of the nineteenth, helping to dig out the one in front, did not notice that her own was snowing up, and soon it was hopelessly stuck.

The twentieth was in worse plight. Caught in one of the worst spots on the fells, it was snowed up. The girl driver spent the night in her cab, stuffing all crevices with blouses, towels and newspapers to keep out slashing snow and a gale that threatened to overturn the lorry. A woman of sixty had to spend the night with her. The driver had no sleep, for she had to get out to start the engine every hour to prevent freezing. It took them twenty hours to cover twenty miles, and during that time they had no food.

Some of the girl drivers got through the partially cleared track after men drivers had given up the task and had tramped through the snow to the nearest shelter.

One girl driver towed a heavy lorry for several miles until she reached a stretch of surface where she had to give up.

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These girl drivers are civilians from comfortable homes and accustomed to driving their own cars. They drive lorries from the assembly factories to Army

enthusiastic response from those who were entitled to this protection. It is to be hoped that those licensed rice-dealers who fondly imagined they could continue their methods of exploitation without any fear of hold-up, and it is probable that consequences, have learnt a salutary lesson. From now on, they may rest assured that an operation in future on this difficult and vital road artery.

Wales had its heaviest snow for seventy-five years. The

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deposits, and their convoys are constantly on the road, no matter what the weather.

They are paid three pounds a week plus hotel expenses. They wear no uniforms and drive mostly in corduroy trousers, overalls, and peaked caps with food by airplane.

Temperature fell to below zero in many districts. Shropshire had twenty-eight degrees of frost, and south-east London twenty-two degrees. In some of the western counties there were 192 hours of continuous frost—a record not reached since 1929, when more than 200 hours was recorded.

In the fell countryside between Carlisle and Newcastle, where wide areas were completely cut off, women also performed grand work. The district nurses, I was told at the Cumberland County Council offices, got through to every case to which they were called.

How the Nurses got through

Some had to dig their way to patients' homes; one was carried over deep drifts by men relatives of a sick woman; some who had already reached their patients' homes were storm-stayed there for days, and doctors on horseback had to attend to other normally nursing cases.

At Hallbankgate, twelve miles from Carlisle, the only way the nurse could reach a sick household was by travelling on a colliery locomotive.

At one maternity case in a fell-side house, with snow nearly up to the roof, complications developed and

the nurse to get help tramped sometimes almost hip-deep in snow to the nearest farmhouse to summon a farm cart as ambulance to take the woman to hospital. She got safely through, but on the return was charged by a small herd of cattle which had not fed for days. She lay down in the snow. The animals sniffed her, then moved away. She scrambled over a fence and back to her patient. The farm cart got through later, and the woman was taken to hospital, where the child was safely born.

One or two nurses can scarcely walk after mild attacks of frost bite. One is in hospital as the result of her ordeals.

Packhorses to the rescue

In some cut-off areas packhorses had to be brought out to get essential supplies through. Many villages were without letters, newspapers, coal, and fresh food supplies for days. At Haltwhistle, Northumberland, where farmers holding their first market of the year were able to bring scarcely anything to sell, there was a shortage of beer, and customers who wanted whisky generally got it out of miniature bottles, there being no other supplies.

Here, when I wanted to telephone to Alston, (1,000-foot high market town) I was told at the post office that if I wrote my message as a telegram they would send it by train, and when I tried to get through to Alston by road my driver wisely turned back at a treacherous stretch of fell road where icicles hung more than a yard long and frozen snowdrifts were deeper.

Dirty days for shepherds

Farmers argued whether the storm was the worst since 1917 or 1898, and told stories of thousands of hill sheep buried under snow having to be dug out and brought into safer ground or hand-fed where they were. To get turnips to feed them farmers had to dig through feet of snow. Other farmers have nearly used up their available supplies of strictly rationed feeding stuffs, and ploughing programmes are six weeks in arrears.

Every day hill shepherds have been out, sometimes on horseback, searching for sheep, either with long poles with which they probe the drifts or with dogs that can scent through several feet of snow.

Sledges were also in use, and people walked across five-barred gates, high walls and hedges, scarcely knowing they were there.

Many bus services radiating from Carlisle were stopped. When some of the roads were cleared by cuttings through drifts up to ten feet deep the snow walls caved in during a short thaw and closed them again. Then came another freeze-up and many cars were ditched.

For a time train services, too, were also interrupted. The Carlisle-Newcastle service got through when it could. Up there they still chuckle about the train that got through to the minute on a Friday. But it was Thursday's train.—B. B. in the "Sunday Express."



THE THWARTED ARCHITECT
Hitler, in his youth, tried to be an architect, but failed.

Y.M.C.A. Hold Season's First Aquatic Gala

Lai Tsun Win Open Relay

THE EUROPEAN Y.M.C.A. held the first swimming gala of the season last night, the events, except for one open relay, being confined to members. The closeness of finishes compensated for whatever defects there were in the standard of swimming.

The Lai Tsun Union easily won the Open Relay, beating the Y.M.C.A. by about a third of the bath. Tsang Cheong-ming, first string sprinter for Lai Tsun, covered his 50-yards lap in 25.8 secs.

Volunteer duties, unfortunately, prevented several members from turning out, and as a consequence several of the heats were depleted in numbers.

The handicapping was very good and several close finishes were seen. Closest race of the evening was in the 75 yards medley in which J. Roberts snatched a fine victory from F. Willis to whom he conceded five seconds. A. F. May and L. A. Benn were seen in a fairly exciting 220 yards. The former surged ahead in the last few lengths to win by four seconds.

In the water-polo match Y.M.C.A. beat Middlesex 4-0. The game was very clean, although the defenders on both sides were inclined to be a little slow in parting with the ball.

Results

50 yards aggregate handicap—Heat 1—1. M. Cunningham (25.8); 2. C. Ramay (33.2/5); 3. H. C. Eardley (32.2/5); 4. Davidson (27); 5. G. Saunders (27 2/5); 6. A. McQueen (28 3/5); 7. F. Paul (27 1/5); 8. E. W. Hailton (29 2/5).

100 yards back-stroke handicap—F. Willis (33 3/5); G. Saunders failed to finish.

Diving (seated handicap)—1. N. D. Booker (33); 2. A. McQueen (33); 3. J. Goldman (33); 4. F. Willis (33); 5. G. Saunders (34).

220 yards aggregate handicap. Heat 1—1. F. Paul (40 1/5); 2. C. Davidson (38 4/5); 3. V. G. Ramay (38 2/5); 4. A. F. May (38 2/5); 5. L. A. Benn (38 2/5); 6. E. W. Hailton (38 1/5).

75 yards medley aggregate handicap—1. J. Roberts (33); 2. F. Willis (33 2/5); 3. W. B. (33 2/5); 4. A. F. May (33 2/5); 5. L. A. Benn (33 2/5); 6. E. W. Hailton (33 2/5); 7. G. Saunders (33 2/5); 8. C. Davidson (33 2/5); 9. M. Cunningham (33 2/5); 10. N. D. Booker (33 2/5); 11. J. Goldman (33 2/5); 12. A. McQueen (33 2/5); 13. F. Paul (33 2/5); 14. E. W. Hailton (33 2/5); 15. C. Ramay (33 2/5); 16. H. C. Eardley (33 2/5); 17. G. Saunders (33 2/5); 18. J. Roberts (33 2/5); 19. F. Willis (33 2/5); 20. W. B. (33 2/5); 21. A. F. May (33 2/5); 22. L. A. Benn (33 2/5); 23. E. W. Hailton (33 2/5); 24. C. Davidson (33 2/5); 25. M. Cunningham (33 2/5); 26. N. D. Booker (33 2/5); 27. J. Goldman (33 2/5); 28. A. McQueen (33 2/5); 29. F. Paul (33 2/5); 30. E. W. Hailton (33 2/5); 31. C. Ramay (33 2/5); 32. H. C. Eardley (33 2/5); 33. G. Saunders (33 2/5); 34. J. Roberts (33 2/5); 35. F. Willis (33 2/5); 36. W. B. (33 2/5); 37. A. F. May (33 2/5); 38. L. A. Benn (33 2/5); 39. E. W. 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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES

Close Games In Last Week's Schedule

R. S. Meadows Loses Seven But Wins His Game

A.P. Guterres' Fine Success

LAST SATURDAY I referred to B. Basto's rather unusual "achievement" of losing a seven in a League game and yet winning. It was a coincidence that on that very day R. S. Meadows of the Kowloon C.C. juniors had the same distinction in his encounter with C. Gowland of the Prison Officers' Club.

The only surprise result—if one may call it that—in last week's Senior Division programme was the victory of Recreo "B" over the Indian R.C. at King's Park. There were only four shots in it at the end, and the Portuguese team collected four points, principally as the result of A. P. Guterres' splendid win over A. R. Dallah by 10 shots.

Guterres obtained the lead early in the game and kept it to the end. He was finely supported by A. M. Rodrigues at No. 3, and his two other front men, A. F. Noronha and A. M. Xavier, were playing better bowls than their opposite numbers.

J. J. Basto had a close struggle with A. K. Minu and just managed to keep his nose in front by a single shot. He was in the lead most of the time, but conceded a five on the 18th head to trail 14-15. However, he came back with a couple of twos and though he lost a two on the last end he won 18-17.

Some skips have an inordinate fear of being stuck at 13. "Baby" Basto is one of them. The week before, he conceded a seven in a desperate effort to get out of this number; last Saturday, he scored a four to reach 13—and there he remained until the end of the match. As a result of the four, he led M. R. Abbas 13-10, but try as he did, he could not score again and Abbas went on to register 10 shots from singles and twos.

AS more or less to be expected, Recreo "A" and Craigen-gower C.C. won their matches easily, against Kowloon C.C. and Kowloon Docks respectively. Each side collected maximum points, winning on three rinks.

TO-DAY AT THE KING'S



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ORTHODOX WINS NEWMARKET STAKES

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—Orthodox (7/2) won the Newmarket Stakes to-day, beating Sunny Island (7/1) by a head. A neck separated Starwort (10/1) from the two leaders. Twelve ran.

T. A. Madar, the K.C.C. skip, put up a good struggle against Carlos Silva, one of the most consistent skips in the League, and was only beaten by two shots. In the domestic affair at Kowloon B.G.C., Bob Duncan was the only "B" team skip to be on the winning end, his victim being G. H. Sheriff. But A. J. Hall, of the "A" team, had only two shots to spare against J. McKelvie, though Adam Holland's rink, which appears to be the strongest in the club, was eight to the good against L. Guy's four.

THE match between Police R.C. and Civil Service C.C. on the former's green was a close affair, four shots separating the two teams and giving the Police four points to their opponents' one.

It is rather surprising that E. G. Post's rink, although a good one on paper and seems to be the best in the Police team, has not yet been able to get going. His front men are G. Perkins, F. Nolan and A. E. Carey, three men as good as any skip could normally expect; yet they have been beaten twice already.

On the other hand, J. Shepherd goes from strength to strength. Following his good win at Sookunpo the previous Saturday, he beat J. F. MacGowan by 22-17 last week. W. McLeod, W. Harris and W. S. Dall have so far given him all the support he wants.

IN the Second Division, the Prison Officers' Club, who gained promotion on the strength of their success in the Third Division last year, are making their presence felt already. They have made a good start—two victories in two matches—and will bear watching.

The best performance in this section was, in my opinion, the victory of Kowloon F.C. over Talkoo R.C. at Talkoo.

The latter are always a difficult team to beat, especially on their own green, and even if they are not as formidable as of yore, a win over them on their own green is something to feel pleased about. W. V. Field's 25-shot win over J. A. Watson made the aggregate result almost certain for the visitors.

THE Hongkong C.C., in the Third Division, had the honour of being one of the teams to make a clean sweep. And their achievement was all the more creditable in that it was performed away from their own green. The H.K.C.C. men were nothing if not consistent—one rink won by five shots and the other two by six each.

Probably the most exciting game in the whole programme was that between the Indian R.C. juniors and Hongkong F.C. With two rinks finished, the Footballers already had one point and were virtually certain of two as C. F. Needham was leading A. H. Madar 21-15 with only one head to play. But the aggregate result stood at 62-62.

Therefore, the result of the last head between Needham and Madar meant two points for either side. The Footballers were lying until A. G. Saffiad, Madar's No. 3, drew the shot—which remained despite all the Footballers' efforts to remove it. Thus S. M. Rumjahn, who beat P. C. Moran by ten shots, was able to carry the side on his shoulders. He was the only skip to do so on the day's play.

F.A. Council Meeting

Future Touring Soccer Clubs Must Submit Accounts

Important Resolution

AN IMPORTANT RESOLUTION, having bearing on all future touring soccer teams from Hongkong, was passed at the Monthly meeting of the Hongkong F.A. Council last night. This was that in future all teams touring with the permission of the Association should maintain a proper statement of accounts to submit to the Association.

The resolution was passed following further discussion on correspondence that had been exchanged between the Kwong Wah A.A. and the Eastern A.A., the latter of whom has just completed a tour of the Philippines.

The resolution arose out of discussion on inducement to players, and Mr Wong Ka-tsun, Chairman, said that unless a prima facie case was made out the Association could not make investigations into the affairs of any Club on flimsy suspicion alone.

Supporting Mr Wong in the Chair were Mr C. A. Goldenberg, Hon. Secretary and Mr L. F. de Souza, Hon. Treasurer. Other members present were Messrs P. O. Brown, T. G. Stokes, W. J. Brown, J. Skinner, J. McKelvie, Mok Hing, Charles Young, L. H. S. Cooper and C. Gungam.

The Chairman said a letter had been received from South China advising that Mr Young had been appointed General Secretary and that he would represent the Association at future Council meetings.

It was decided that \$3,300, proceeds of the Sunday Herald Cup, be allocated to 22 institutions.

Donations

It was also decided that the net proceeds, amounting to approximately \$5,500 of gate receipts of the final of the Governor's Cup be donated in equal amounts to the Bomber Fund and Chinese War Charities. The donations will be made jointly in the name of the Association and Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation.

The following were elected members of a sub-committee to draft alterations to the rules—Messrs C. Gungam, T. G. Stokes, Wong Ka-tsun and J. Skinner.

An honorarium of \$375 each to the Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer was passed unanimously.

S. C. A. A. On Tour

The South China Athletic Association's football touring team to Malaya has left the Colony and will be away for about two-and-a-half months.

The team is being captained by veteran Lee Wai-long and includes the cream of the talent which helped them secure major League honours during the past season.

Mr Walter Hamming Chen, who has represented South China on the Council of the Football Association and who has played a big part in their success, is accompanying the team as Assistant Manager.

Cottage Club's Final Paper Hunt

THE COTTAGE CLUB'S final paper-hunt of the season will take place on Saturday evening, starting at 5.30 p.m. from a point near San Tin Village, near the entrance to Sunny Farm.

Ponies will be drawn for at the Club at 5 p.m.

After the hunt, an open-air barbecue will be held in the Club grounds for members and friends.

Recreio "A" v. Kowloon C.C. The C. G. Silva-T. A. Madar rink game in progress. Silva won 22-20. Standing around the jack watching the skips bowl are C. E. Marques, H. A. Alves and J. A. Luz (Recreio), N. J. Bobbington, W. W. Parsons and A. E. P. Guest (K.C.C.).—Ming Yuen.

SKIPS TABLES

First Division

Name	Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	Shots For.	Shots Ag.	Up.	Dn.	Pts.
A. M. Holland	K.B.G.C. "A"	2	2	—	—	52	23	20	—	4
M. R. Abbas	I.R.C.	2	2	—	—	40	28	21	—	4
A. P. Guterres	Rec. "B"	2	2	—	—	45	27	18	—	4
J. Shepherd	P.R.C.	2	2	—	—	50	34	16	—	4
U. M. Omar	C.C.C.	2	2	—	—	46	31	15	—	4
A. J. Hall	K.B.G.C. "A"	2	2	—	—	39	28	8	—	4
C. G. Silva	Rec. "A"	2	2	—	—	38	35	8	—	4
R. F. Luz	C.C.C.	2	1	—	1	44	30	14	—	2
C. S. Rosset	C.C.C.	2	1	—	1	50	37	13	—	2
B. W. Bradbury	C.S.C.C.	2	1	—	1	38	34	4	—	2
J. F. McGowan	K.B.G.C. "B"	2	1	—	1	40	47	2	—	2
R. Duncan	C.S.C.C.	2	1	—	1	42	40	2	—	2
M. N. Rakusen	Rec. "B"	2	1	—	1	40	40	—	—	1
J. J. Basto	Rec. "A"	2	1	—	1	33	33	—	—	2
F. X. Silva	K.C.C.	2	1	—	1	41	42	—	—	1
T. A. Madar	K.B.G.C. "B"	2	1	—	1	41	42	—	—	1
J. McKelvie	I.R.C.	2	1	—	1	34	35	—	—	1
A. R. Dallah	Rec. "B"	2	1	—	1	37	42	—	—	1
E. Basto	K.D.R.C.	2	1	—	1	36	48	—	—	12
J. Kempton	P.R.C.	2	1	—	1	34	46	—	—	12
W. Mair	C.S.C.C.	2	1	—	1	37	39	—	—	2
C. Strange	K.C.C.	2	1	—	1	34	40	—	—	6
J. Fraser	K.B.G.C.	2	—	—	—	23	44	—	—	6
G. S. Sheriff	I.R.C.	2	—	—	—	23	40	—	—	12
A. K. Minu	P.R.C.	2	—	—	—	23	44	—	—	12
E. G. Post	K.C.C.	2	—	—	—	23	40	—	—	15
E. C. Fincher	K.B.G.C.	2	—	—	—	23	40	—	—	16
L. Guy	K.D.R.C.	2	—	—	—	23	40	—	—	17
R. Morrison	K.D.R.C.	2	—	—	—	23	40	—	—	17
T. Coleman	K.D.R.C.	2	—	—	—	23	40	—	—	17

Second Division

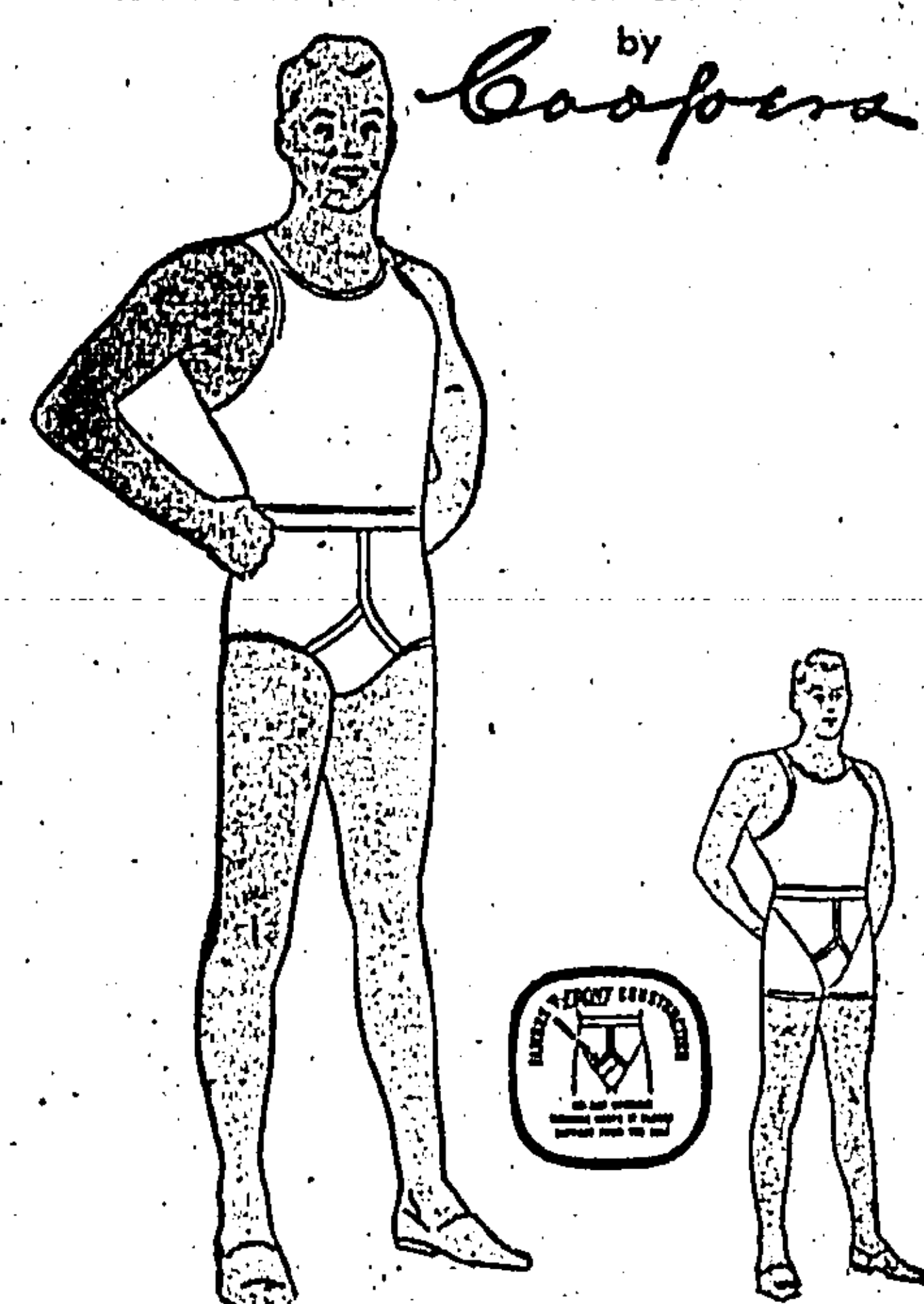
Name	Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	Shots For.	Shots Ag.	Up.	Dn.	Pts.
W. V. Field	K.F.C.	2	2	—	—	66	24	42	—	4
A. J. Kew	K. Tong	2	2	—	—	53	26	27	—	4
H. W. Randall	C.C.C.	2	2	—	—	48	24	24	—	4
A. Jilott	P.O.C.	2	2	—	—	46	32	14	—	4
P. Toulghubund	K.F.C.	2	2	—	—	40	27	13	—	4
P. Remedios	K.F.C.	2	1	—	1	42	36	6	—	3
W. Macfarlane	P.O.C.	2	1	—	1	56	38	5	—	3
C. Gowland	P.O.C.	2	1	—	1	50	38	18	—	2
W. Melrose	Talkoo	2	1	—	1	20	13	7	—	2
T. Lock	C.C.C.	2	1	—	1	42	35	7	—	2
A. W. Brown	H.K.C.C.	2	1	—	1	18	15	3	—	2
J. L. Stephens	K. Tong	2	1	—	1	40	38	2	—	2
A. Steven	K.C.C.	2	1	—	1	34	36	—	—	2
J. R. Soares	Rec.	2	1	—	1	45	48	—	—	2
T. W. Carr	K.C.C.	2	1	—	1	34	40	—	—	6
W. J. Bagley	P.O.C.	2	1	—	1	30	47	—	—	8
R. S. Meadows	K.C.C.	2	1	—	1	38	48	—	—	10
W. J. Howard	K. Tong	2	1	—	1	34	41	—	—	7
M. J. Medina	C.C.C.	2	1	—	1	31	50	—	—	19
H. V. Pearce	H.K.F.C.	2	1	—	1	27	33	—	—	6
G. E. Costello	H.K.C.C.	2	1	—	1	15	21	—	—	6
F. Goodwin	H.K.C.C.	2	1	—	1	20	28	—	—	6
W. Gill	H.K.F.C.	2	1	—	1	13	23	—	—	10
J. C. Chalmers	Talkoo	2	1	—	1	12	22	—	—	17
A. Brooksbank	H.K.F.C.	2	1	—	1	15	32	—	—	10
J. A. Remedios	Rec.	2	—	—	—	26	45	—	—	19
W. Simpson	H.K.F.C.	2	—	—	—	27	48	—	—	21
J. A. Watson	Talkoo	2	—	—	—	9	34	—	—	25

Third Division

Name	Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	Shots For.	Shots Ag.	Up.	Dn.	Pts.
I. T. Smalley	K.F.C.	2	2	—	—	52	32	20	—	4
C. E. Needham	H.K.F.C.	2	2	—	—	50	30	20	—	4
S. E. Abraham	H.K.C.C.	2	2	—	—	43	31	12	—	4
M. M. Rumjahn	I.R.C.	2	1	—	1	42	32	10	—	3
G. S. Ladd	C.C.C.	2	1	—	1	25	10	15	—	2
F. Channing	P.R.C.	2	1	—	1	47	37	10	—	2
A. O. Madar	I.R.C.	2	1	—	1	45	16	—	—	2
A. Nissim	H.K.C.C.	2	1	—	1	25	18	9	—	2
A. M. Wahab	I.R.C.	2	1	—	1	24	18	6	—	2
H. Nish	K.B.G.C.	2	1	—	1	13	18	5	—	2
W. A. Cornell	H.K.C.C.	2	1	—	1	20	15	5	—	2
J. B. Gilroy	H.K.C.C.	2	1	—	1	19	15	4	—	2
R. Ogden	K.F.C.	2	1	—	1	43	41	2	—	2
M. A. Carvalho	Rec.	2	1	—	1	33	32	1	—	2
K. C. Hamilton	K.B.G.C.	2	1	—	1	23	22	1	—	2
J. Russell	H.K.F.C.	2	1	—	1	40	40	—	—	2
M. F. Alarcon	Rec.	2	1	—	1	42	46	—	—	4
J. C. Aiken	P.R.C.	2	1	—	1	36	40	—	—	4
E. Evans	K.F.C.	2	1	—	1	31	42	—	—	11
A. J. Coelho	C.C.C.	2	1	—	1	28	43	—	—	15
J. Macdonald	P.R.C.	2	1	—	1	26	32	—	—	6
N. P. Karanjia	C.C.C.	2	1	—	1	22	23	—	—	1
G. E. F. Thompson	K.B.G.C.	2	1	—	1	14	16	—	—	1
A. F. Paul	H.K.E.R.C.	2	1	—	1	15	10	—	—	4
A. H. Madar	I.R.C.	2	1	—	1	16	21	—	—	5
C. E. Gohagan	H.K.E.R.C.	2	1	—	1	16	20	—	—	5
L. de Rome	H.K.E.R.C.	2	1	—	1	18	24	—	—	6
P. A. Yvanovich	Rec.	2	—	—	—	23	43	—	—	12
P. C. Moran	H.K.F.C.	2	—	—	—	23	47	—	—	13
A. McKellar	H.K.C.C.	2	—	—	—	14	29	—	—	15
J. Pau	C.C.C.	2	—	—	—	34	56	—	—	22

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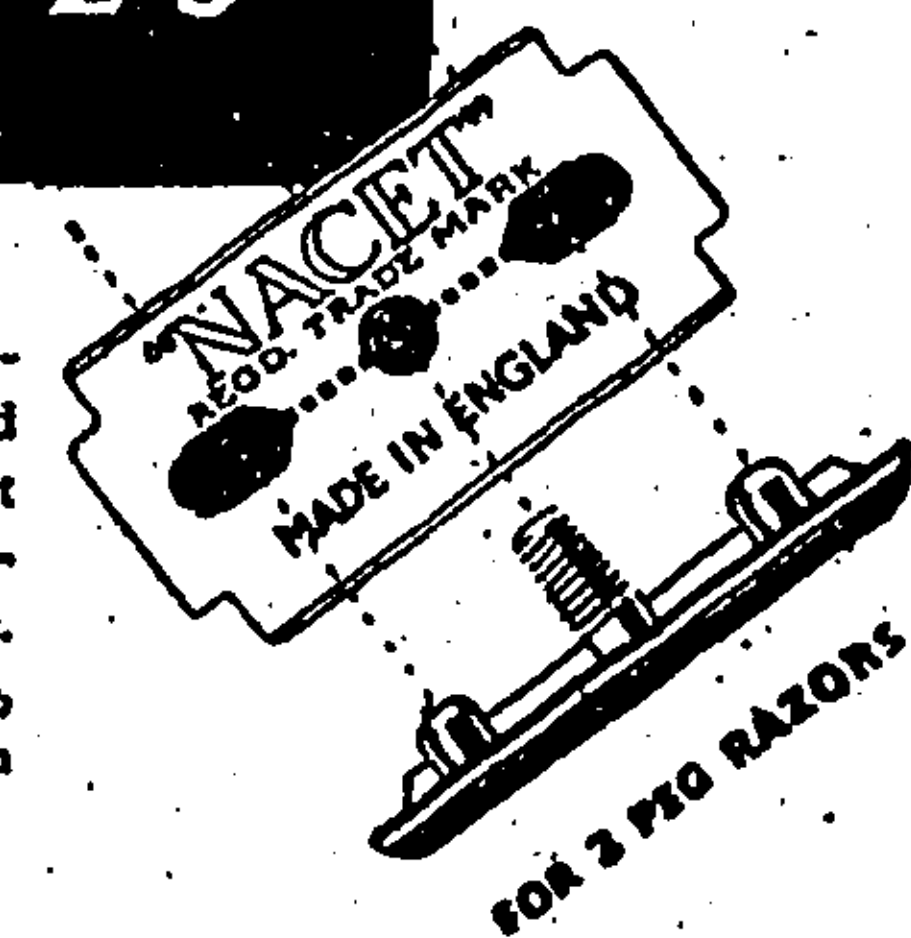


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NANCY



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B.B.C. UNDER FIRE FROM M.P.s

Discussions are taking place among back bench M.P.s in all Parties on making a joint protest against the way the B.B.C. presents news of Parliament.

For some time there has been strong criticism of what M.P.s describe as the B.B.C.'s "front-bench" bias.

M.P.s declare that B.B.C. accounts in the news bulletins give a distorted picture of Parliamentary debate.

They are almost entirely devoted to Government statements, and rarely give any indication of the criticisms voiced by M.P.s.

M.P.s strongly resent this. Their indignation has come to a head following the B.B.C.'s report of the recent debate on the MacDonald Bill.

No Indication
The B.B.C. gave no indication that almost every speaker before Mr. Churchill spoke expressed opposition to the measure.

One explanation offered by B.B.C. spokesmen is that they only have a limited amount of time for Parliamentary news.

The view is growing, however, that the real explanation is not a technical one.

M.P.s feel that the B.B.C., under orders or otherwise, is pursuing a deliberate policy of presenting Parliament to the nation only as a sounding board for Government spokesmen.

Another Criticism
Another criticism aimed at the B.B.C. is contained in a motion tabled by 40 M.P.s.

It protests "against political discrimination" when employment is being given by organisations associated with the State.

Some of the supporters of the motion object, for example, to the incidents as the banning of the broadcasts of Sir Hugh Robertson's choir because of Sir Hugh's political views.

Mrs Allen, Mrs Grant Go to Law

MRS ALLEN and Mrs Grant went to law recently, and all because of some tea, sugar, milk, coffee, a pair of boots—and two cats.

Mrs Allen had temporarily evacuated from her home in Swinton-street, King's Cross, W.C., and left the key with Mrs Grant in the flat below.

She claimed £1 17s. 6d. from Mrs Grant, alleging that her neighbour had used some of her stores of provisions and had taken a pair of boots.

Husband To Consider
Mrs Grant denied this, and added: "Mrs Allen's husband was there three weeks after she left and came back before her."

"What was he eating while she was away?"

She said she had kept Mrs Allen's two cats for seven weeks and counter-claimed for £1 4s. 6d., being three pence per cat per day.

The Judge Mr. Registrar Friend, before whom the two women faced each other at Clerkenwell County Court, dismissed both claim and counter-claim.

"No costs for either of you," he said.

"Do try to live in a little more peace with one another."

And Mrs Allen and Mrs Grant, having tasted the law, walked slowly home.

MILLION ASPIRINS
A million aspirin tablets, weighing half a ton, are among the medical supplies to be sent to England from the School of Pharmacy of the University of Buffalo. They are the gift of a firm of manufacturing chemists.

BANK STAFF UNION RECOGNISED

Barclays Bank has agreed to recognise and negotiate with the Bank Officers' Guild, the trade union of the bank staffs in England and Wales. This is the first of the large clearing banks to accord such recognition.

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Y.M.C.A. Assets Seized By Nazis: U.S. Protest

The State Department has protested to the German Government in behalf of the American Young Men's Christian Association against seizure by the invading German forces of three camps owned by the Polish Y.M.C.A.

The protest points out that the value of the three buildings is approximately \$2,000,000 and that more than one-half of this amount came from American donors and was given with the stipulation that if the buildings were ever used for other than Y.M.C.A. purposes the money would revert to America.

According to reliable reports from Poland, the Y.M.C.A. building in Warsaw is now serving as the seat of the German Government in Poland, while that in Krakow is headquarters for the Gestapo, Germany's secret police. The third building is in Lodz.

The building in Warsaw is the largest Y.M.C.A. structure in Europe.

Protest To Soviet
The U.S. Government has also sent a formal note of protest to Moscow against what is described as the repeated robbing and desecration of a Roman Catholic church there.

The church, under the direction of an American priest, has been robbed five times within the last year and was recently desecrated.

The protest points out that under the Soviet-American Accord of 1933, American citizens were to have freedom of worship in Russia and to have such churches as they desired. Officials view the incident as a further evidence of the eventual fall of religion under all types of totalitarian government.

Shaw Flays BBC Ban On Artists

George Bernard Shaw broke a long silence recently with a hearty jab at his favourite target—the BBC. The United Press reported from London that he had described it as "British Nazism gone mad," because it hanned some famous entertainers who supported the recent Peoples Convention which called for "peace with the German people," reports "P.M."

"The whole managing staff of the BBC should be sacked instantly," the bearded playwright said in a message to the National Council of Civil Liberties.

"Here we are in the thick of a war which we claim to be fighting as the champions of western democracy. Daily we throw into the teeth of Germany and Italy reproach because they abolished the rights of public meeting and free speech. Yet this is the world-wide exhibition of British Nazism gone mad—just on top of the suppression of the 'Daily Worker,' too."

The reason for Shaw's outburst against the BBC, which once banned him for ad libbing, was an announcement that Michael Redgrave, star of the popular British film "The Lady Vanishes," and other actors would not be allowed to broadcast until they had withdrawn support from the People's Convention.

Famous Portsmouth Hotel Destroyed

Among the buildings destroyed by fire in a recent raid on Portsmouth was the George Hotel, one of the oldest hostels in the city.

It was at the George that Lord Nelson breakfasted on September 14, 1805, before embarking in H.M.S. Victory, in which he lost his life five weeks later at Trafalgar.

The fire gutted the building, including the Nelson room, in which there was a four-poster bed. A plaque on the wall of the hotel recording Nelson's association with the place was one of the few historical features saved from the flames.

Landlady Objected To His Murals of Pigs

ART Master John R. Dewey painted snakes and ladders, noughts and crosses, and chessmen on the walls of a cottage he had rented near Weymouth. On the bedroom wall was a drawing of a man, a pig, and a small train.

The effect of all this on the owner of Lynden Lea—for that was its name—was an action at Weymouth County Court for damages for dilapidations.

Mrs. Caroline Moore, the owner, claimed £23 10s., of which £10 was for the redecoration of these rooms and the remainder for "reinstating" rockeries in the garden, to which Mr. Dewey had given some attention.

Mrs. Moore was unlucky. "Old-Fashioned" Said Judge Cave: "I am not aware of any authority to prevent a new tenant decorating a house according to his own taste."

"The style in which Mr. Dewey decorated these rooms would probably not please me. I am not an art master, and perhaps I am a little old-fashioned. But these decorations do not affect the repair and condition of the house."

Woman-Hater
"Please tender her my compliments, but tell her I am a bachelor and a woman-hater."

"I have practically no use for women. They steal men's jobs and tell us how to run our lives. I will not allow women, old or young, bother me out of my rustic simplicity."

Mrs. Moore's reply denied any interest in Mr. Dewey either on her daughter's part or her own. She got the last word—in a postscript. It said: "I suppose even you had a mother."

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Knowledge Of Seas Will Win War Says U.S. Envoy Winant

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—"The freedom-loving and peace-loving peoples of this earth are coming to realise that this is not Britain's fight alone," declared the United States Ambassador, Mr. John Winant, addressing the English-Speaking Union luncheon in his honour to-day.

"On the wise use of the navies of the world may hang the destinies of the world's free people," Mr. Winant continued.

"A kindly Providence at this time of stress and danger has placed at the heads of the two great English-speaking peoples two men whose knowledge of the seas is probably greater than that of any statesman of any time."

"The problems before them in defence of their countries are not simple problems but complicated ones. The common ideals of the English-speaking peoples of the world are not ideals from which other people are excluded; they are ideals alien to no country that loves liberty and hates tyranny."

"To-day the English-speaking peoples again are being drawn together in a struggle to preserve not only their common heritage but the common ideals of civilised men everywhere."

Totalitarian Tyranny
"With Machiavellian cunning, totalitarian tyranny has sought to divide and conquer peoples and nations who should stand together. By blackmail and terror, by intrigue and deceit, they have sought to weaken and undermine national unity in those countries whose freedom they would destroy. So far the totalitarians have been spectacularly successful. Experience has proved that they have a way of keeping their threats and break their promises. One by one they have destroyed one nation after another."

"For men and women of goodwill, there is only one choice. When Dictators conspire together, men and women of goodwill everywhere must act together."

Mr Eden
Speaking on the same occasion, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, said that the ignominious aim for which the Germans must now suffer and die was to seek to enslave others, but this conception was the crudest fantasy. Europe would never be composed of one master and a score of subject races.

"The Nazis were fighting against the natural forces of history and were seeking to reverse the flow of the rivers of time. It was, therefore, not surprising to find among the small group of men trying to impose their rule by force evidence of dissension. In this, one might find partial explanation at least of the recent parachute descent that had so much electrified the world."

World's Future
In growing Anglo-American understanding in the greatest hope for the world's future.

Mr. Eden concluded: "We share the same traditions and we here know that you understand when we say that rather than yield up the faith in which we believe, we are prepared to suffer whatever it may be that German might can impose."

NEW CHINESE GLACIER
A new glacier has been discovered by Chinese geologists on the side of a mountain near Pashan, in the Hanchung Basin, along the Szechwan-Szechuan border. An expedition, part of the Chinese Institute of Geography, came upon the mass, which is estimated to be 300 square kilo-meters in size.

Donations To Bomber Fund
A total of \$1,500,703.72 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S.C.M. Post, Ltd., with the following donations:

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Nazis Would Revive Slave Days In Africa
LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—"If the Nazis won, hope of civilisation in Africa would be at an end and its peoples would be thrown back into slavery under German task-masters," declared the Colonial Secretary, Lord Moyne, broadcasting in celebration of the 50th anniversary of Nyasaland Protectorate.

Lord Moyne said that men from all parts of Africa had been fighting the lions in the Empire's armies, which had destroyed slavery and brought civilisation to the continent.

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"Sunken" British Fleet: Claims.

FROM PAGE ONE

the ships' fighters were constantly alert for everywhere in low-hanging clouds there might be enemy bomber formations.

We were steaming between the Cagliari naval base and Sicily so that the Italians were able to accompany their bombers with many squadrons of well armed and fast land fighters.

Fight in Clouds

While the ships' guns belched shells in an almost daylong barrage, spattering the clouds with dancing fire and innumerable black smoke puffs, fighters flashed, twirled and dived among the clouds in relentless and furious attack on enemy bombers.

Many times on the far horizon, around the ships could be seen spouting columns of water as the bombers jettisoned their projectiles and fled from blazing guns and British fighters. Despite the scores of fighters protecting them.

Against such overwhelming odds, time and again our fighters smashed up formations of bombers hiding in clouds awaiting a favorable moment to swoop down and bomb the ships.

Torpedo Attack

The day's most notable feat came at dusk when the last attack was made by torpedo bombers, while at the same time a force of 30 Stukas protected by six fighters were cruising in the clouds with the obvious intention of making a simultaneous attack.

Suddenly six British fighters dived among them with machineguns spitting venomously. One Stuka dived into the sea in flames and two fighters staggered off into cloud shelter with smoke streaming from them. Bullets were rained on the gallant little group of British fighters from all sides, but they maintained their attack until the enemy quailed. The hopelessly scattered Stukas dropped their bombs into the sea and fled leaving our fighters hard-hit but victorious.

Abyssinia Trap Is Closing

FROM PAGE ONE

an Indian officer. An enemy machine-gun singled him out but he miraculously escaped a stream of bullets, and the post was silenced.

Bold Grenadier

In another instance, during a desperate enemy counter-attack, a Sepoy stood out in the open, hurling hand grenades among the advancing Italians.

Continuous thunder-storms and heavy rains have failed entirely to dampen our men's spirits.

A stream of prisoners, among whom are many officers, are being sent to the rear.

LATE NEWS

WILLKIE'S SORE THROAT BILL

Dr D. Harold Barnard of Beverly Hills, California, wants \$13,000 for the 52 days he treated Wendell Willkie's sore throat during the 1940 campaign. The bill has been turned over to the Republican National Committee.

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Bats' Flight in Dark Interests Aviation

FROM PAGE ONE

The solution of one of the greatest mysteries of biology—how bats manage to fly blindly in pitch-dark caves without striking obstacles—was recently reported before the American Society of Zoologists by Robert Galambos and Donald R. Griffin of the Harvard Biological Laboratories.

The bats, the Harvard experiments show, emit super-shrill cries—far too high-pitched for human ears to hear—to pilot them through the blackness. These cries echo from obstacles and the echoes warn the bat.

With this invisible and inaudible sound-beam, the Harvard researchers found, bats can execute complicated manoeuvres through virtual networks of wires without collisions.

Some of the newest aviation instruments are believed to use a device similar to the one developed so effectively by nature in the bat. It is expected that the knowledge gained at Harvard from the bat may have useful applications in the air armament programme.

Used Their Ears

Scientists had suspected for some time that bats used their ears to guide them. The experiments reported not only showed that hearing is essential to blind flying, but also gave the first proof that the apparently noiseless flight of a bat is accompanied by a clamour of shrill cries.

To study these sounds the experimenters used apparatus devised by Professor G. W. Pierce, of Harvard's Cruft Laboratory of Physics, for supersonic research.

Uncle Sam Receives A Schooner

FROM PAGE ONE

The 185-foot racing schooner, Atlantic, which after 36 years still holds the record for racing under sail between England and the United States, has been donated to the U.S. Government.

Her owner, Gerard B. Lambert, industrialist and yachtsman, said he was also giving his 50-foot power yacht, Utilite, to the government and was breaking up his racing sloop, Yankee, and would divert the proceeds toward purchase of a Spitfire plane for Britain.

It was understood that the Atlantic, which in 1905 set a record of 12 days, 4 hours and 1 minute for the standard racing run between Sandy Hook and Lizard Light, off the coast of England, would be attached to the Coast Guard Training Station at New London, Conn.

ITALIAN CREW Saboteurs Sentenced

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. May 14 (UP).—The Captains and 58 members of the crews of the Italian freighters Ircania and Confidenza were to-day sentenced to terms ranging from two and a half to four years after being convicted on sabotage charges or charges of conspiracy to commit sabotage.

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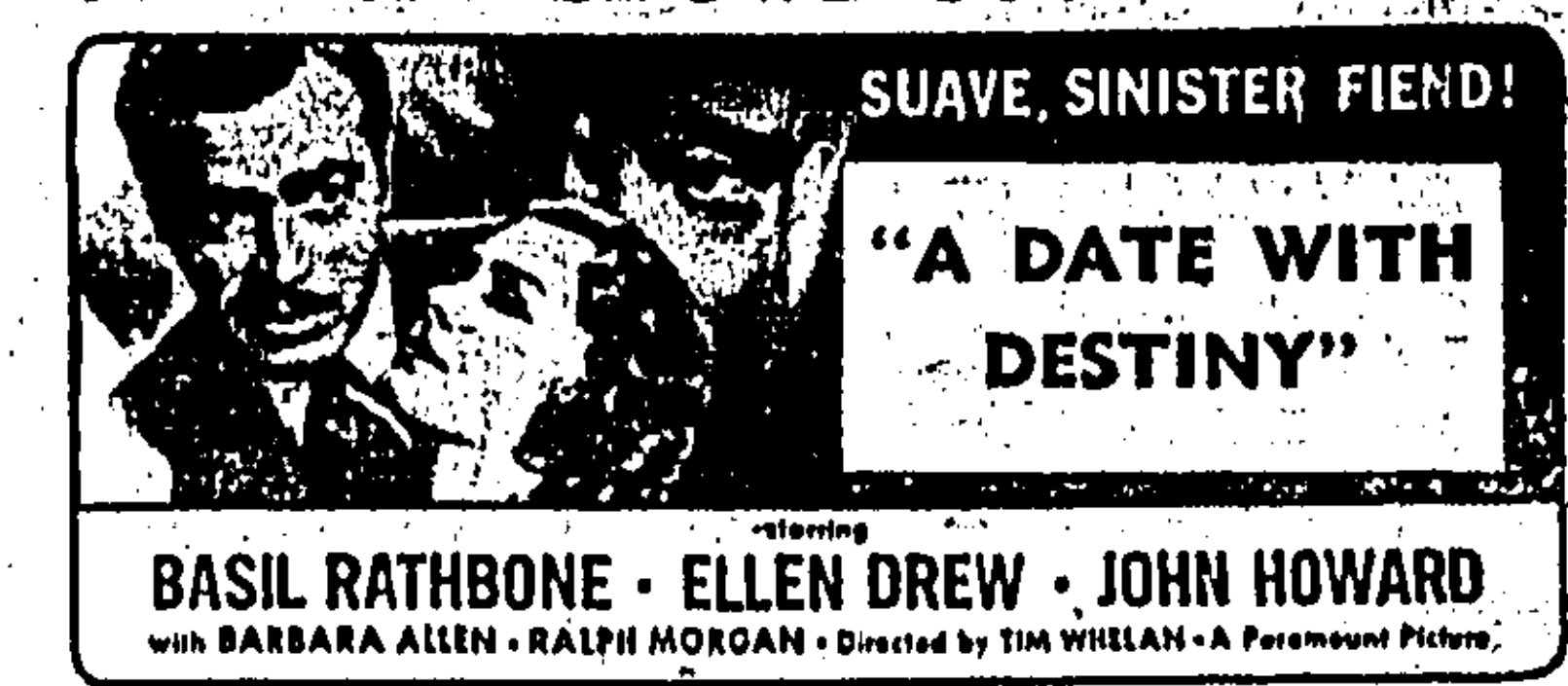
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RUDOLF HESS' STORY OF TYRANNY, HARDSHIP & DISTRESS IN REICH

Special to the "Telegraph"

NEW YORK, May 14 (UP).—ACCORDING TO A BRITISH RADIO BROADCAST, HERR RUDOLF HESS, AFTER LANDING IN SCOTLAND, SAID THAT HE HAD BROUGHT "INFORMATION OF GREAT VALUE TO BRITAIN IN THE OVERTHROWING OF THE TYRANNY THAT NOW PREVAILS IN THE REICH."

IT WAS DECLARED THAT HESS ASSERTED THAT "HARDSHIPS ARE BEING EXPERIENCED IN GERMANY AND THAT GREAT DISTRESS PREVAILS AMONG THE PEOPLE."

HITLER DEPUTY FEARED R.A.F.

London Press Revelations

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, May 15 (UP).—The diplomatic correspondent of the "Daily Mail" claims that Hess disclosed to Mr. Kirkpatrick, the British Foreign Office official who interviewed the escaped Deputy Fuehrer, the present conditions inside Germany, possibly including the answer to one of the biggest questions of the war—the effect of the R.A.F. raids on German morale.

British sources declare that Mr. Kirkpatrick's preliminary reports are already in the hands of the Cabinet Ministers.

Diplomatic correspondents pointed out that Hess may have desired to see the Duke of Hamilton because of the Duke's position in the R.A.F. Hess may have wanted to discuss air warfare with him in the hope of eventually contacting some high member of the Government.

Scores Die When Train Is Mined

Guerilla Activity

SHANGHAI, May 15 (Reuter).—Scores were killed and injured when another new express train of the Japanese-controlled Shanghai-Hangchow-Nanking Railway was wrecked by a landmine explosion while proceeding to Shanghai from Hangchow, 100 miles southeast of Shanghai.

The explosion is reported to have derailed the engine and tender, and to have completely demolished the baggage car of a second class coach.

The mine was controlled by electric wires and was set off by Chinese guerrillas.

This was the second of the new express trains recently brought from Japan to be wrecked by a landmine explosion.

On May 7, the first express was badly damaged when it ran into a mine near Soochow, 60 miles west of Shanghai.

Answers To Correspondents

"X-Word Enthusiasts": You are correct. It was a misprint in the official solution.—Ed. H.K.T.

Hess had Correspondence With Duke of Hamilton

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—Ringed in blue pencil on Rudolf Hess' map on which Hess plotted his course from Augsburg to Scotland was the dual seat of the Duke of Hamilton in Lanarkshire.

When in the gathering dusk on Saturday night Hess made his dramatic crash landing some eight miles from Glasgow, the first thing he asked was the way to Dungavel. He had mistaken a large house which he sighted as the mansion he was seeking and, failing to find a suitable landing ground, he decided to descend by parachute.

Despite his damaged ankle, he wanted to be taken to the Duke's house which he thought was nearby. According to Mr. Gann, the ploughman who found him, Hess did not say why he wanted to see the Duke.

SINGLE PLANE RAIDS BRITAIN

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—Bombs were dropped by single aircraft at points on the south coast, in the East Midlands and in eastern England to-day, says the Air Ministry.

Little damage was done and the number of casualties was small. The total planes destroyed in daylight on Sunday, May 11, are now stated to be six anti-aircraft guns claiming an aerial success.

One bomber was brought down over England last night.

Hess was quoted as saying that he intended to give his information to his friend the Duke of Hamilton.

The broadcast added: "Hess told farm people of the hardships being experienced in Germany, that great distress prevailed among the people, and that the bombings of the R.A.F. and the sufferings of the population are among the general effects of the war."

Hess, it was added, made the most painstaking preparations for his flight which he had long been contemplating.

The Duke of Hamilton is believed to have been somewhere between London and Scotland when he was notified of the arrival of Hess. It is impossible to check, but it is presumed the military authorities escorted the Duke of Hamilton to the rendezvous where he and Hess had a private conversation. It is considered most doubtful whether the Duke of Hamilton had any advance knowledge of Hess' flight.

Speculation On Next Nazi Thrust

ANKARA, May 14 (Reuter).—The main topic of conversation here is where the Germans will move next. The most favoured spot is Syria.

M. Yalcin in the newspaper "Yeni Sabah" declares that the Germans will probably try to invade Egypt via Syria but adds: "How they will try and give they will not pass through Turkey. That we know definitely."

Other newspapers carry unconfirmed reports that German bombers have arrived at Mosul.

Many people are of the opinion that Hitler is trying to persuade Admiral Darlan to convince Marshal Petain to allow German troop planes to land in Syria, from where they can proceed to Iraq.

Concentrations

Another group points out that the Germans have at present 15 divisions in Moldavia, which is more than the number there before the invasion of the Balkans, adding that the Germans are known to have concentrated large sea-going barges on the Lower Danube.

This, they regard, means that Hitler either intends to attack Russia or else to use the threat of invasion to secure concessions from M. Stalin.

The Turkish Government are regarding the situation coolly and continue to take defence measures for which the National Assembly has voted an extra credit of 13,500,000 Turkish pounds.

Advice To Americans

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ANKARA, May 13 (Dome).—Americans residing in Turkey, Iraq, Syria, Palestine and Egypt have been advised by their Consuls to proceed immediately to the Suez Canal and embark on four American vessels now waiting there to effect their evacuation.

A. P. M. Activities To Be Investigated

WASHINGTON, May 14 (UP).—The Dies Committee for the investigation of un-American activities to-day announced that a special sub-committee will open public hearings next Wednesday on the activities of the American Peace Mobilization, whose anti-war pickets have been marching before the White House. Some of the Committee members described the A.P.M. as a Communist front organization.

Churchill To Speak

LONDON, May 14 (UP).—It is understood that the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, is likely to make a statement regarding Hess on Thursday. It would not be surprising if the Premier attempts to warn his countrymen against sentimentalising over Hess.

It is reliably reported that Hess contemplated and prepared for his flight for at least two or three months, and the impression is hardening that Hess was driven to the adventure by a Messianic impulse; he apparently considers himself the real, if not the sole custodian of the Nazi Holy Grail.

To Hess, his puritanic Nazi outlook causes him to recoil before the important manifestations of the present German policy. Hess' vehement racial convictions, which hold that the Germans and Anglo Saxons are the chosen people are understandable. He finds German collaboration with the Slavs and Bolsheviks repulsive, and he resents the German pact with Japan.

Letter To Hamilton

It is learned that Hess sent a letter to the Duke of Hamilton about three months ago, in effect declaring that the war between Germany and Britain was lunacy and urging that an attempt be made to negotiate peace. The letter to the Duke was sent via Lisbon and it is believed that the Nazis were driven to discover the existence of the correspondence. It is surmised that this may have led to the gradually increasing crisis in Hess' political career and personal safety, prompting him to prepare for the flight.

It is recalled that Hess steered the plane for the Duke of Hamilton's estate in Scotland and upon landing immediately asked for the Duke. It is learned that the Duke immediately placed Hess' letter in the hands of the British security officers and that no reply was sent.

Berlin Attitude

BERLIN, May 14 (UP).—Informed German quarters to-day belittled the importance of the Hess affair and reiterated that it would be soon swept from the world's interest by great events. For the German press and radio, the affair seems to be closed, for not a single word has been published, and the spokesman has not mentioned it throughout the day.

The press and officials are likewise silent regarding Franco-German negotiations, but authorised circles stated that an official announcement would likely be issued to-night or to-morrow. They expressed satisfaction over the Russo-German economic negotiations which ended two days ago when the Russian representative returned to Moscow.

With the return of von Papen the German Ambassador, to Istanbul, attention has again been riveted on Turkey, which may be expected to indulge in closer economic collaboration with the Reich, and eventually to face even more important demands from Berlin. The accompanying map illustrates the strategic position of Turkey in the Near East.



U.S. Congressional Circles Expect Crisis in Far East

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, May 14 (UP).—Usually reliable Congressional circles declare that the United States anticipates critical diplomatic developments in the Far East as well as in Europe, as a result of which it has been decided to send Flying Fortresses to Hawaii.

These same sources stated that the atmosphere was clearly anticipatory with major Administration figures remaining strangely silent during the war's most dramatic developments.

U. S. AND VICHY Upset By Reported Nazi Agreement

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, May 14 (UP).—It is learned here to-day that Vichy can expect strong counter-measures from the United States if she enters into active collaboration with Germany.

Meanwhile, Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, at a press conference reserved comment on the press report that Vichy had approved the Hitler-Darlan agreement. Another official stated, "We do not know the score yet," meaning that the State Department is still uncertain of the implications of the Hitler-Darlan agreement.

Other officials, for the present, declined to discuss the effect of the agreement on the food shipments for France, but press reports say that closer Franco-German relations have caused considerable unofficial disquietude.

Mr Matsuoka As Premier, Report

SHANGHAI, May 15 (I.N.A.).—According to unconfirmed reports current in foreign circles here, the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, is likely to succeed Prince Fumimaro Konoye as Premier. There will also be a minor reshuffle of the cabinet, it is reported.

Former H.K. Man Killed By Nazi Bomb

The sad news has been received here of the death by enemy action of Mr. Tom Hynes, aged 61, former Superintendent of Malls here and a resident of the Colony from 1904 to 1939.

Two sons and a daughter are in Hongkong and sympathy is felt for them by the many friends whom their father made during a long and active association with Colony life.

Mr. Hynes joined the Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps in London early on in the war but was invalided out. Later he met Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, former Inspector General of Police in Hongkong at whose invitation he became an Air Raid Precaution warden in Kensington. The news of Mr. Hynes' death was received by cable on Monday and it is thought that he was killed in the blitz on Saturday.

Mr. Hynes' Career

Mr. Hynes retired in May of 1939 after 22 years service in the Post Office. He came to Hongkong in 1904 and joined the Police Force but two years later he went to the Sanitary Department and from there he transferred to the Post Office in 1914.

A native of New Zealand Mr. Hynes served in the Boer War in the Transvaal and he settled on land acquired there. He did not find this venture a success and then decided to try his fortune in Hongkong.

Desmond and Brian Hynes, two sons are employed in the Post Office here and there are two married daughters, one an accomplished singer Mrs. Mansell-Dyer who is in Cornwall, and Mrs. Patsy Stott who is in the Colony.

Ambassador Johnson's Tribute to China

"I don't know of anyone to whom I would rather turn over my duties than Mr. Clarence Gauss. He has been in China for a long time before, and has had long experience of the conditions here," declared Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, the outgoing United States Ambassador to Chungking, in the course of an interview with Press representatives at the American Consulate in the Hongkong Bank Building this afternoon.

Mr. Johnson will be waiting here until Mr. Gauss, his successor, arrives in the Colony, and after meeting Mr. Gauss, he expects to leave by Clipper for Washington, before going to Australia to assume his new post of Minister there.

Recalling his first visit to China 34 years ago, when the journey from America took 14 months, Mr. Johnson said he hoped to be in Washington by the end of the month. "Assuming that all conditions are made properly, it would give me satisfaction to see what progress has been made."

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H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were
issued on the Hongkong Stock Market
this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks	1,305 b.
H.K. Banks	72 1/2 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.)	2 1/2 n.
Chartered	2 1/2 n.
Mercantile	2 1/2 n.
Mercantile C.	11 1/2 n.
East Asia	70 b.
INSURANCES	
Cantons	220 n.
Union	405 n.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire & M.	170 b.
SHIPPING	
Douglas	128 n.
Steamships	8 n.
Indo-China P.	80 b.
Indo-China D.	80 n.
Shell (Bearers) s/-	41 3/4 n.
Waterbouts	0.65 n.
DOCKETS ETC.	
Wharves	85 1/2 n.
Docks	15 n.
Provident	5 b.
Shai Dockyards	25 n.
MINING	
Kailan s/-	12 1/2 n.
Ruhs	8 n.
H.K. Mines	1 1/4 n.
LANDS	
H.K. Lands	2.85 b.
Lands 4% Debentures	31.10 b.
Shai Lands Sh.	12.90 n.
H.K. Estates	2.70 b. 3/4 n.
UTILITIES	
Trams	16.10 n.
Peak Trams (old)	7 1/2 n.
Peak Trams (new)	3 1/2 n.
Star Ferries	51 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries s.d.	21.35 n.
China Lights (old)	5.70 n.
China Lights (new)	1 1/4 n.
H.K. Electric (old) x.r.	22 1/4 n.
H.K. Electric (new)	2 1/4 n.
H.K. Electric Rts	11 1/2 n.
Macao Electric	19.15 n.
Sandakan Lights	12 n.
Telephones (old)	22 1/2 n.
Telephones (new)	0 1/4 n.
INDUSTRIALS	
Cald. Macg. (Ord.)	30 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pref.)	25 n.
Canton Ices	1 n.
Cement	14 n.
H.K. Rope	0 1/2 n.
STORES & C.	
Dairy Farms	17 1/4 n.
Watsons	0.20 b.
Lane Crowfords	7 1/4 n.
Sinceres	2.15 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	39 n.
Powell Ltd.	1 1/2 n.
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh.	35 n.
Shai Cotton	200 n.
MISO.	
H.K. Govt 4%	97 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1934)	94 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1940)	94 n.
Ch. Govt 5% 1925 GSBds.	28 n.
Entertainments	0 1/4 b.
Constructions (old)	1.00 n.
Constructions (new)	1 n.
Vibro Piling	7.20 n.
Marmans Inv. (Lon.) s/-	0 1/2 n.
Marmans Inv. (H.K.) s/-	2 1/4 n.

Chinese Envoy To Visit Hongkong

CHUNGKING, May 14 (Central News).—Dr Wei Tao-ming, newly-appointed Chinese Ambassador to Vichy, is on his way to Hongkong. He will remain in the British Colony for two weeks and then return to Chungking and set out for Vichy via Moscow. He expects to meet the new Foreign Minister, Dr Quo Tai-chi, either in Hongkong or Chungking before leaving for his new post.

Dr T. F. Tsiang, former Chinese Ambassador to Moscow and now Director of the Political Affairs Department of the Executive Yuan, is acting temporarily as concurrent Secretary-General of the Executive Yuan which post has been vacated by Dr Wei Tao-ming, pending the formal appointment of a successor which is expected soon.

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The SIXTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 10th July, 1941, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 3rd July to the 24th July inclusive.

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Hong Kong, 14th May, 1941.

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The Seventy-second Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 21st May, 1941, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1940.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 19th day of May, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at North Point, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rental	Upset Price
1	Inland Lot No. 6155, Tait Ma Road, South of Inland Lot No. 333 and 309, North Point	as per sale plan.	about 6,000	\$10	\$200

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$200.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rental	Upset Price
2	Rural Building Lot No. 412, Repulse Bay Road.	as per sale plan.	about 20,000	\$20	\$400

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Enemy Columns Withdrawing In The Western Desert

("Reuter" With Mobile Patrol in Western Desert)

CAIRO, May 14.—Not only are the Germans being held on the whole of the 50-mile front some 40 miles inside the Egyptian border, but reconnaissance planes reported on Tuesday that one or two of the five columns appeared to be withdrawing. This may mean that they had to abandon their intention of thrusting along the coast to cut off the Allied forces by a southward sweep across the desert.

At the moment, it is still not clear whether this attack is a full-scale effort or whether only a big raid intended to test the strength of the Allied forces and positions.

Our Guns in Action

Soon after pushing forward at sunrise on Monday, the Germans met the Allied advanced defensive screens and artillery shelled the positions of the advancing German eight-wheeled armoured cars and tanks. This brought them to a hesitant standstill.

While they were trying unsuccessfully to feel a way through the Allied positions, lighter planes suddenly swooped down upon them from the sky, sending them scurrying on all directions. Plane after plane swept low through the dust-clouds all through the day until darkness over the desert swallowed up the armoured cars and tanks.

In these operations, South African Air Force units were in action for the first time in the Western Desert. They had just arrived from Eritrea.

Shuttlecock Operations

CAIRO, May 14 (Reuter).—Operations in the Western Desert continue to be of a shuttlecock nature, and after Monday's German thrust, British forces have taken the initiative by pressing home with mechanised patrols in the Sollum area and also harassing enemy columns surrounding Tobruk.

Military circles consider that the German thrust was planned temporarily to throw out of gear the effectiveness of the ever-increasing British armoured patrols.

Temperatures have again shot upward in North Africa and with the continued blazing sun, widespread operations have become difficult.

Military circles are confident, however, that whatever tactics the enemy chooses, they will be countered by equally vigorous assaults by the British Imperial forces.

Limited Offensive

CAIRO, May 14 (Reuter).—A limited offensive operation from Tobruk and the withdrawal of the enemy to his original position in the Sollum area are announced in a G.H.Q. communiqué.

The communiqué says: "Tobruk.—During a limited offensive operation carried out by our troops from Tobruk, two German medium tanks were captured and many casualties were inflicted on the enemy."

"In the Sollum area, the enemy has again withdrawn to his original position south and west of Sollum, where he is being continuously harassed by our mechanised patrols."

Italy Tells Japan

Will Enter War When United States Starts Special to the "Telegraph"

ROME, May 14 (UP).—Writing in the "Giornale d'Italia" to-day, Signor Gayda declared that the United States entry into the conflict would automatically cause Japan to enter the conflict and therefore war would become inter-continental.

He stressed that Japan's interests lie with the Axis against the Anglo-Saxons.

QUO TAI-CHI Delays Flight

SHANGHAI, May 14 (International).—Dr Quo Tai-chi, the new Chinese Minister of Foreign Affairs, postponed his flight to Hongkong from San Francisco by the Philippine Clipper which was originally scheduled at 3 p.m. to-day, according to a San Francisco telegram received here.

Informed Chinese quarters in San Francisco said that the flight had been delayed by the minister's intention to participate in the meeting which opens the China Week on May 18 to be held by the United States associations to aid China, the message adds.

Anti-British Activities In Peiping

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—Questioned by Mr I. C. Hannan as to what action had been taken with reference to the declaration of the Chairman of the Peking People's Anti-British Association that no leniency should be shown to anybody openly selling British goods, Mr Anthony Eden, in the House of Commons to-day, said that he had called for a report and would then consider what action may be appropriate.

Free Frenchmen Demonstrate

SYDNEY, May 14 (Reuter).—A cable from General de Gaulle was read at a large meeting of the Free French, urging redoubled attacks on Vichy and declaring that Admiral Darlan is France's Quisling agent for Germany.

M. Bonie, the local Free French leader, said that the Free French in Australia were with the French people in the struggle against Germany.

There were emotional scenes at the meeting and cries of "Vive la France!" and "Vive l'Australie!"

Y.M.C.A. Hold Season's First Aquatic Gala Lai Tsun Win Open Relay

THE EUROPEAN Y.M.C.A. held the first swimming gala of the season last night, the events, except for one open relay, being confined to members. The closeness of finishes compensated for whatever defects there were in the standard of swimming.

Major Baseball

High Scoring In Games Yesterday

NEW YORK, May 14 (UP).—

Scoring in two of yesterday's games in the Major Baseball schedule was high. Boston Red Sox beat Chicago White Sox 10-7 in the American League and Philadelphia Phillies 12-7 in the National.

Scores were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R	H	E
Philadelphia	7	10	2
Batteries: Hughes, Johnson, Bruck.			
Hoerst, Deck, Livingston.	12	14	0
Batteries: Strickland, Dietz, Bauer, Klenger, Baker and Davis.			
Brooklyn	6	11	1
Batteries: Wyatt, Owens.			
Cincinnati	5	9	0
Batteries: Springer, E. Riddle, Hutten-bergs, Lombardi.			

The New York-St. Louis and Boston Chicago matches were postponed.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R	H	E
Chicago	7	13	1
Batteries: Dietrich, Appleton, Ross, Treash.			
Boston	10	6	3
Batteries: Dickman, Newsom, Judd, Peacock.			
Detroit	4	12	3
Batteries: Gornick, Thomas, McKain, Tobolski.			
Washington	9	16	0
Batteries: Sandra, Early.			
St. Louis	10	13	0
Batteries: Harris, Grace.			
Philadelphia	6	9	0
Batteries: Hadley, Dean, Potter, C. Harris, Hayes, Wagner.			
Cleveland	4	6	1
Batteries: Harder, Desautels.			
New York	1	6	1
Batteries: Haffling, Dickey.			

ALBANIA

Duce Declares Country At Peace From May 20

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, May 14 (UP).—The official Gazette to-day published a decree issued by Mussolini whereby Albania, beginning May 20 ceases to be a war zone.

Criminal Sessions

Eighteen cases are listed for trial at Criminal Sessions which commence this month, at the Supreme Court on Monday at 10 a.m. The cases include Walter Harold Powles, 39, charged with committing an unnatural offence, and two of murder.

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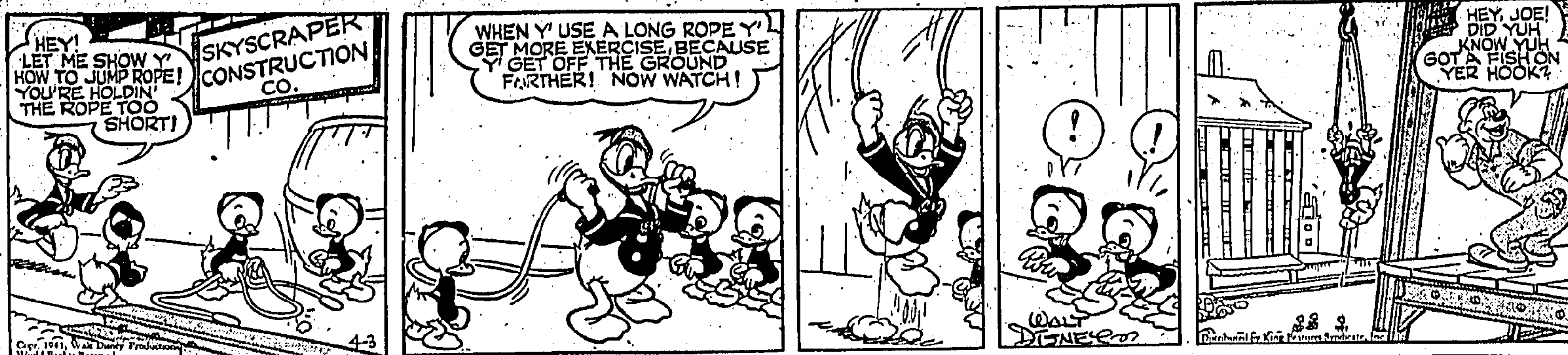
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ANNA NEAGLE

the famous British film star, acted as host to the crews of the British ships, Glenwood and Langley, in New York recently, when at the same time the New York British War Relief Society shipped two portable canteens to England. Miss Neagle distributed wearing apparel and other useful presents to the crew. Her latest picture, "No, No, Nanette" is due soon at the King's Theatre.



Berlin - Vichy Secret Agreement Alleged

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—Well-informed circles in Vichy are of the opinion that the Franco-German discussions have covered a wider field than mere economic matters and that they have not yet reached the final stages, reports the Swiss radio.

The negotiations, it is said, dealt with France's place in the new Europe of Germany and Italy.

It is also reported that the Armistice Clause will be revised and that a new demarcation line will be established between the Occupied and Unoccupied zones.

Nothing definite is yet known of French concessions to Berlin but the main German idea seems to be to oppose the Anglo-Saxon industrial bloc by a European industrial bloc in which French metallurgical and mining industries would play an important part.

Berchtesgaden Again
 LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—The recent meeting between Hitler and Admiral Darlan took place at Berchtesgaden, according to the Swiss radio quoting Vichy reports.

Herr von Ribbentrop and Field Marshal Kettel were present.

Admiral Darlan arrived by special train from Paris, accompanied by the Nazi Ambassador there, Herr Otto Abetz, and Commandant Fontaine of the French Ministry of Marine.

The Swiss announcer added that it had been unofficially stated in Vichy that Admiral Darlan would shortly go to Paris where he would have a fresh meeting with a "high German personality" with the view to putting into operation the agreement already reached in principle.

CAPTOR OF HESS IS NEW HERO

But Protests He Is No Film Star

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—Officers of the Special Branch of Scotland Yard throughout the day have been checking all callers at the hospital where Rudolf Hess is detained.

A military guard also has been posted at the gates, only authorised persons being allowed to pass.

A horde of newsmen to-day descended upon the ploughman, David McLean, and begged him to re-enact his part in the capture of Hess.

McLean declared: "I am not wanting to be a film star—I have no time to go to pictures."

When newsmen said that they would come back later, McLean replied: "It will need to be later. A ploughman's work is never done."

Posed Ploughing

In response to their entreaties, he said: "You can take me while I am ploughing." So the cameramen staggered over the rough ploughed field and McLean, greatly amused, said to his horse: "You can think a lot more of yourself to-day, Silver."

When the photographers had finished, McLean told them: "You people coming up here and keeping me off my work has been more trouble than the German war."

Hallucinations
 BASLE, May 14 (Reuter).—The letter left by Rudolf Hess contains no signs that Hess deserted in consequence of hallucinations.

According to the "Basler Nachrichten" correspondent in Berlin, this is officially stated in Berlin.

The statement, the correspondent adds, warns the public against drawing conclusions from statements about Hess from England which Britain is using for propaganda purposes and which already have been branded as obtained under duress.

Tells of Hardship

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—Hess is reported to have told farm people of the hardship now being experienced in Germany and of the great distress amongst the people there over the bombing by the R.A.F. and of the suffering of the civilian population.

Lord Gort At Gibraltar

GIBRALTAR, May 14 (Reuter).—The new Governor of Gibraltar, General Lord Gort, assumed command to-day and took the oath of allegiance at Government House.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- Was transported
- Experienced pain
- Strike together with sharp sound
- Dark portion of eye
- Waning in Italian
- Former Austrian coin
- Soft part of mouth
- Unit of wine measurement
- Pertaining to armpit
- Struck with sudden force
- Letter of literary excellence
- Makes mistake
- Wheel borders
- Slide away
- Church steeples
- Report much to
- Recommends obscure
- Skill
- Grinding tooth
- Greek
- Tobacco
- Cut in two
- Caught glimpse of
- Those who examine specimens of work
- Musical air
- Silk waste (English)
- White slip
- Carbonated drink
- Conqueror of Jerusalem
- Cousin bird
- One who foretells events
- Ancient Roman official

DOWN

- Unemployed
- Girl's name
- Preclude
- Assess
- Carpenter
- Egg-shaped ornament
- Prefer half
- Oriental
- Late Belgian king
- Ally of law
- Of high temperature
- Compound ether
- One who regards as worthless
- Standard work of literature
- Drink, merry song
- Ball inland sea in Russian Turkistan
- Remove outer covering of
- Allowance for transportation waste
- Minor evil spirits
- Outer form
- Swiss noblemen
- Home frolicsome (Irish)
- Business transactions
- On ship, pass rope through hole
- Co inside
- Crustlike bodies
- Poisonous spider
- Acted as intervening agent
- Famous waterfall
- True skin
- Expectorate
- Derived from
- Efficient catcher of rodents, ad cat
- Apert
- French feminine suffix
- Man's name
- Fiftieth of July
- Devoid of clothes
- Sickness
- Strong brew
- Extreme end of cart (Prov. Eng.)

Diplomat Is Best-Seller

BRITAIN has a new best-seller, out-topping most others. It is "Black Record," reprint of Sir Robert Vansittart's broadcast talks on Germany. More than 250,000 copies, the publishers told me, have now been sold. They say the demand shows no sign of dropping.

This information set me thinking of the days when the "Times" was implicitly advocating the secession to Germany of the Sudetenland and publishing a letter jointly signed by, among others, Barry Domville, Lord Londonderry and Pitt-Rivers, saying, "We see... the promise of a new era compared to which the tragic years that have gone since the war will seem like a bad dream"—the days just before and after Munich, in fact.

I USED sometimes then to seek comfort in a large room at the end of the ground floor corridor of the Foreign Office. It contained no Munich-fancier.

It was a large, dingily opulent room with two windows on St James's Park, two on the Horse Guards. Besides furniture, it contained two globes, and on an expensive easel a map of Europe, from which nearly all the colours had faded, so that, with the exception of these islands, it looked almost as though the greater part of the Continent was one huge state. I thought it an omen at the time.

THE room belonged—it still does—to Sir Robert Vansittart, Chief Diplomatic Advisor to the Government.

Let us admit that if his advice was not asked at the time of Munich, his own temperament may have had something to do with it. He does not suffer fools as gladly, perhaps, as a diplomat should. On the other hand the amateurs who then controlled our foreign policy didn't suffer wise men gladly. The rest is history.

If all that seems past, it has something to do with the violent attacks made on him, for "Black Record," if it is his view of the German nation, is, by implication, his justification and a round condemnation of the Munichers.

WHAT is this pamphlet? It is an analysis of the German temperament, pointed with historical references; and it concludes with suggestions as to how Germany's perpetual desire to dominate the world can best be curbed in future. Its moral is that Goethe was right when he said that as an individual the German is a human being, but that as a race they are impossible.

It is written in exuberant language, extravagant, if you like. I grant that. It is only fair to say, however, that some of the attacks made on Vansittart's thesis have been neither prejudiced nor violent. Many who have given much thought to the German problem disagree honestly with Vansittart; and have said so.

But nearly all the attacks—both from Right and Left—have been by implication: D. N. Pritt asks the Minister of Information what use Dr Goebbels has made of Vansittart's material. The answer, of course, is "None."

The "Times," finding nothing better to attack him about, attacks him for having spoken in public at all, which is irrelevant.

Let us leave it at that. But what sort of man is this who can perform the astonishing feat of making bedfellows out of Pritt and Dawson who edits the "Times"?

If I were asked to whom I would most surely apply the word "civilised" the face of Vansittart would come into my head and stay there. I could hardly describe him: he is too lively, even at 59, to be pinned down. You feel that he shouldn't be indoors, that a tennis racket might appear suddenly in his hand, and that he wouldn't serve a fault. Or that he's only waiting for the right moment to sit down and dash on paper some thought that has suddenly taken shape behind two sharp, pale eyes.

In the years I've known him I have hardly ever seen him sit down, except at a meal. Walking about his room with a Turkish cigarette between his fingers, he will suddenly put his hands up to his elegant head, as though he had just remembered some desperately unhappy piece of news. But that isn't it, at all, for when he takes them down again a second later he will be smiling. It's just a habit.

He's tall, broad-shouldered, and if he has the kind of face that has never known what hardship is, that doesn't mean that it hasn't known something of great disappointments.

I DON'T know, but I guess that he would wish to be more remembered as a poet than as a diplomat. But he won't be, of course.

If I envied any man I should envy the one who will come to write his biography in 60 or 70 years' time. He will be writing the history of Britain's most tremendous period; and looking at the photographs that will be available to him, he will wonder why, perhaps, this man had a face that was not bitter.

Philip Jordan

ENEMY SHIPPING LOSSES

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—Enemy shipping was continually attacked by units of the British Fleet and R.A.F. during the week ending May 12.

At least 12 vessels, ranging from an armed merchant cruiser (sunk by H.M.S. Cornwall in the Indian Ocean) to patrol vessels destroyed off the coasts of Norway, Holland, France and Germany, were sunk or rendered total losses.

Five supply ships with an estimated tonnage of 18,000 tons were sunk and at least six others were severely damaged.

During the attack by British naval forces on Benghazi Harbour on May 8, an enemy ammunition ship of between 5,000 and 6,000 tons was blown to pieces and a supply ship of 3,000 tons was sunk in the same engagement, while a further bombardment from point blank range on the night of May 10 caused more damage to enemy shipping and military objectives.

Attacks on Warships

The R.A.F. made two more successful attacks on the battle-cruisers, Scharnhorst and Gneisenau, at Brest on the nights of May 3 and 7, and it is certain that direct hits with powerful armour-piercing bombs were obtained.

On May 11, the German merchant vessel, Coburg, of 11,400 tons, which has been acting as a supply ship to a German raider in the Indian Ocean, and the Norwegian tanker, Ketty Brovig, of 7,000 tons, captured by the raider, were intercepted by the Australian warship Canberra and H.M.S. Leander.

A number of Norwegians and Chinese were rescued and 18 German officers and 47 ratings were taken prisoner.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday, is:

Buyers	
H.K. Banks	\$1,305
Chartered Bank	\$210
H.K. Fire Ins. Co.	\$170
Indo-China (Prof.)	\$81
Providents	\$4.00
Hotels	\$2.85
Lands	\$31
Realities	\$2.70
Macao Electrics	\$10.15
Ropes	\$6.20
Watsons	\$9
Entertainments	\$0.25
Sellers	
Trams	\$16.10
Cemets	\$15
Ropes	\$6.50
Watsons	\$9.25
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Providents	\$4.00
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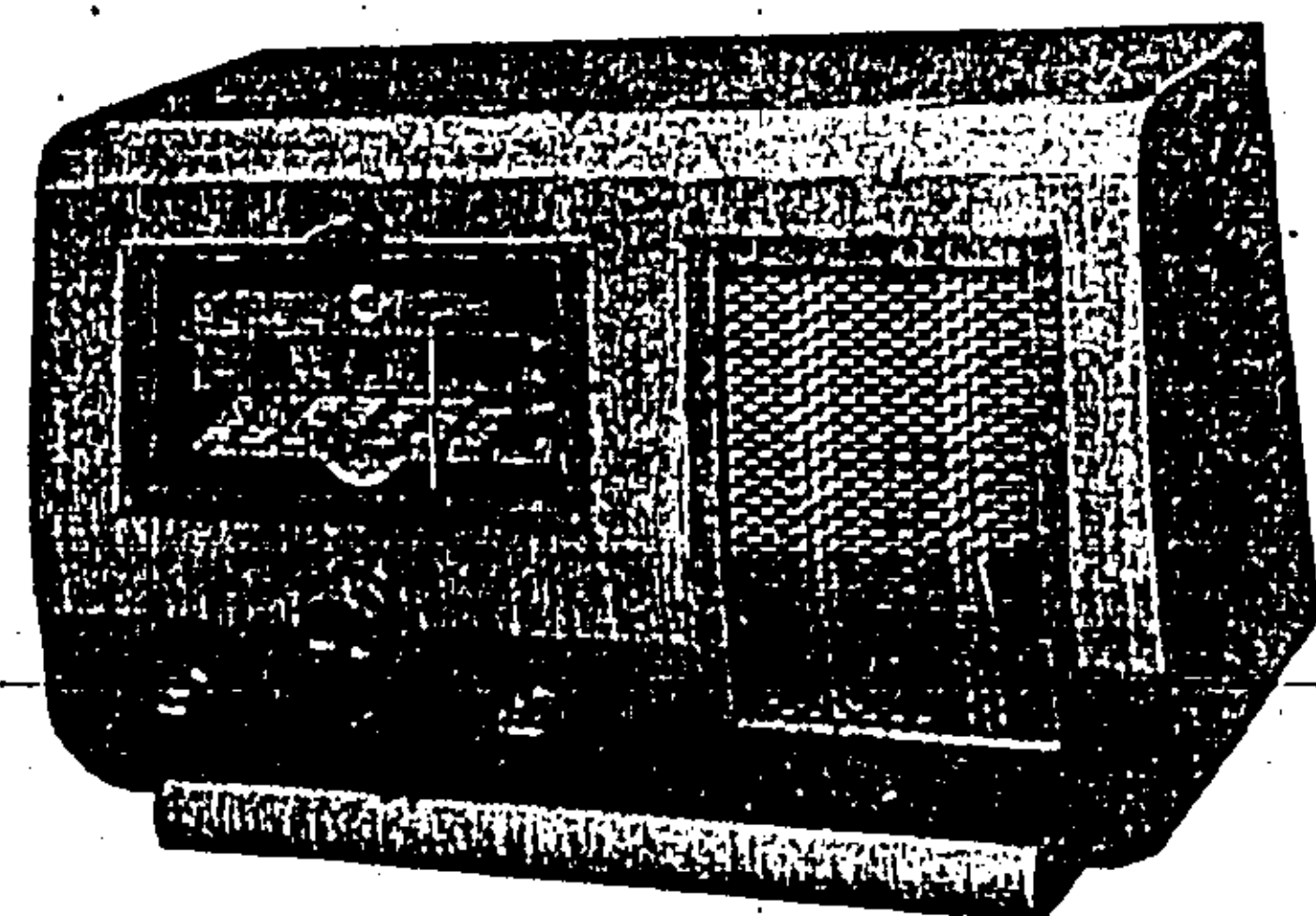


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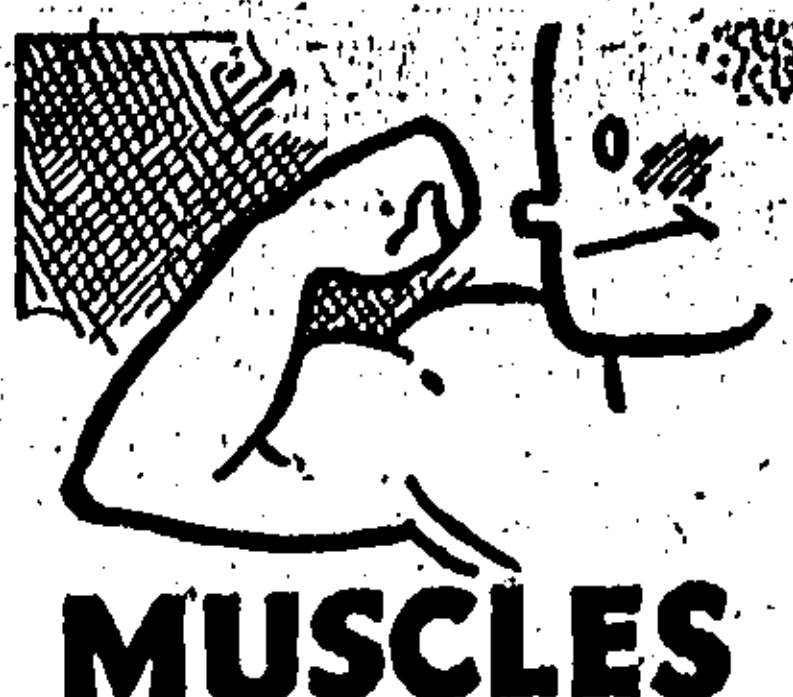
April Score 385

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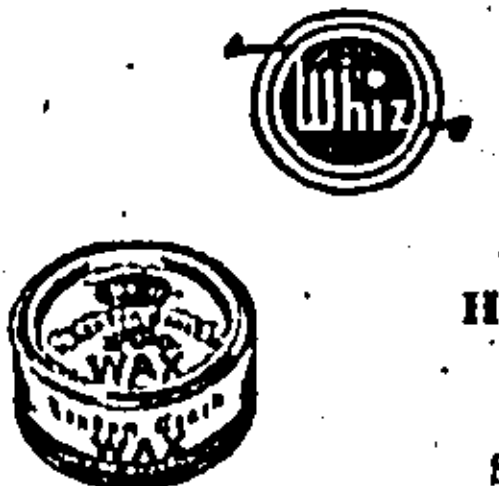


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DEATHS

BICKERSTAFF—On May 14, 1941, at his residence No. 182 Prince Edward Road, James Dowie Bickerstaff, aged 30. Funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

HYNES: Killed by enemy action in London on May 10. Tom Hynes, 61. (News received by cable).

The
Hongkong Telegraph.

Thursday, May 15, 1941.

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EXPLOITERS BEATEN

THE lesson that determined and sincere effort, backed by honest motives can always, in the long run, overcome unscrupulous dealings has again been taught by the immediate results of the establishment in Hongkong of "fair-price" rice shops, which, within 48 hours smashed the Colony's rice profiteering market. The foresight and courage of a number of public-minded people brought this about. Before the inauguration of the "fair price" selling centres, many of the rice dealers openly snapped their fingers at Government legislation which endeavoured to control prices; and as if the flaunting of the law were not sufficient, numbers of dealers resorted to nefarious tricks in order to grasp that little extra profit at the expense of the purchasers, such as watering the rice to make it heavy, or adulterating it by mixing the grades, then charging Grade A prices.

This sort of sharp practice was outright dishonesty and fraud which could only be successfully countered and rendered unprofitable by the appearance of competitors willing to sell pure, fair weight rice at the legal prices. Happily such public spirited and disinterested people were to be found in the Social Work Committee which formed itself for this express task. As a result, the situation in the rice market has taken a violent change—for the better. Adulteration of rice is still being carried out by some retailers, but so impressive was their loss of business for two days that in sheer desperation they brought their prices below the official rate per picul by one dollar. This was the principal aim of the "fair price" centres. They were not set up for the purpose of competing with the merchants on a profit-making basis, nor of forcing the dealers out of business unless they refused to listen to reason. The Social Work Committee were determined to make the licensed retailers adhere to the official prices, and to prevent them from exploiting any further the thousands of poor people who rely on rice for their sustenance.

This was a worthy aim, which evoked not only the sympathy of all fair-minded people, but, happily, enjoyed a prompt and

BITTER WINTER

Full story of the Amazing February Weather in England

IT is now possible to reveal that the worst snowstorm since 1917 swept the north of England in the middle of February.

Many towns and villages in Cumberland, Westmorland, Northumberland, and Yorkshire were isolated for days; rail and bus services were interrupted; supplies ran short; district nurses were isolated with their patients; buses went through snow cuttings in ten-foot drifts with the walls topping their roofs; some vehicles were buried for nearly a week, and at one time a large number of lorries and cars were held up in the north by the blocking of a famous pass. While this was happening in the north, most of the south was having normal weather.

Personal service highlights in this widespread storm were the way district nurses carried on in face of great difficulties and girls drove heavy Army lorries over hills, where some of them had to stay stormbound for the night.

I reached the approaches to the pass on the night before the thaw cleared the road sufficiently for alternate one-way traffic to be operated. Snow and traffic blocks made it impossible to go further.

At every hillside bay there were jams of traffic. Drivers were crowded in wayside cafes or sleeping in outhouses. Police and A.A. scouts in phone touch with control points regulated traffic.

They told me that at the worst of the jam a hundred or so vehicles were held up in one town, every cul-de-sac, yard, and some streets being temporary car parks. On the other side there were numbers more, and others were stuck at various points between, where many drifts went to eight or ten feet and a few to fifteen.

A hearse with coffin going to Preston for burial was snowed up for five days; a bus completely buried; a heavy load of biscuits for export lay on its side in a drift; there were lorries with fish and meat; heavy wagons, some tarpaulined, some exposed to the weather—loads of granite, concrete blocks, a petrol tank 20ft. long.

Woman at the wheel

A convoy of twenty lorries, driven by girls, had just come through. Some of the vehicles were 30cwt., some 5-tonners.

They came over the pass one night when days of digging had cleared a temporary one-way for traffic, but near the summit another heavy fall of snow came down. Eighteen of the twenty got through. The driver of the nineteenth, helping to dig out the one in front, did not notice that her own was snowing up, and soon it was hopelessly stuck.

The twentieth was in worse plight. Caught in one of the worst spots on the fells, it was snowed up. The girl driver spent the night in her cab, stuffing all crevices with blouses, towels and newspapers to keep out slashing snow and a gale that threatened to overturn the lorry. A woman of sixty had to spend the night with her. The driver had no sleep, for she had to get out to start the engine every hour to prevent freezing. It took them twenty hours to cover twenty miles, and during that time they had no food.

Some of the girl drivers got through the partially cleared track after men drivers had given up the task and had tramped through the snow to the nearest shelter.

One girl driver towed a heavy lorry for several miles until she reached a stretch of surface where she had to give up.

£3 a week and expenses

These girl drivers are civilians from comfortable homes and accustomed to driving their own cars. They drive lorries from the assembly factories to Army

enthusiastic response from those who were entitled to this protection. It is to be hoped that those licensed rice dealers who fondly imagined they could continue their methods of exploitation without any fear of consequences, have learnt a salutary lesson. From now on, they may rest assured that an organisation exists which will not hesitate to fight them, and successfully so, if there are further signs of malpractice.

depots, and their convoys are constantly on the road, no matter what the weather.

They are paid three pounds a week plus hotel expenses. They wear no uniforms and drive mostly in corduroy trousers, overalls, and peaked caps with car-pieces. At the hotels, where they spend the night and monopolise the baths for hours, they change into tailored skirts, silken hose, and reveal polished nails and permed hair that belie blizzard adventures in the hills.

They have a regimental pride in getting their convoys through.

That morning of the thaw was an unforgettable spectacle. The snow-bound hillside (part cleared by digging and thaw) came suddenly to life, and a queue of lorries came through from the north. They took hours to negotiate the precarious track, and until they had passed no traffic was allowed to go through from the south.

Drivers brought through additional stories of the hold-up. The road, it appeared, had been cleared earlier, but one of the first vehicles to go ahead was a huge three-decker sheep lorry with fifty or sixty live sheep. It crashed and overturned on the treacherous surface. Some sheep were killed, some injured.

The live ones had to be turned loose in the fells while the carrier and chassis were worked to the side of the road. Another carrier following behind also had an accident, and more sheep and mutton were spilled over the countryside.

Better apparatus discussed

Stranded driverless lorries along the route added to the difficulties of clearing a workable track. At the height of the hold-up days earlier drivers were told on a Friday night that nothing could get through, so many of them packed up and trekked to the nearest railway stations and went home. Actually a temporary road was cleared, when most of the waiting lorries had no drivers. Later snowfalls increased the snow blocks and the delay.

On the north side of the pass soldiers were called out to assist workers engaged on clearing the road, but there are complaints that too few men were turned out on the work by the county council clearing the south side. Lorry drivers say they volunteered to help on a payment basis, but were refused.

Some took part in the work voluntarily, and hundreds of them tolerated their troubles more easily for the reason that they were getting overtime for Saturdays and Sundays while their lorries were stuck in the snow.

Ministry of Transport officials have investigated the hold-up, and it is probable that more up-to-date snow-clearing apparatus will be brought into operation in future on this difficult but vital road artery.

Wales had its heaviest snow for seventy-five years. The

+ Snowstorm the worst since 1917

+ Food dropped by airplane

+ Women lorry-drivers marooned

the nurse to get help trapped sometimes almost hip-deep in snow to the nearest farmhouse to summon a farm cart as ambulance to take the woman to hospital. She got safely through, but on the return was charged by a small herd of cattle which had not fed for days. She lay down in the snow. The animals sniffed her, then moved away. She scrambled over a fence and back to her patient. The farm cart got through later, and the woman was taken to hospital, where the child was safely born.

One or two nurses can scarcely walk after mild attacks of frost bite. One is in hospital as the result of her ordeal.

Packhorses to the rescue

In some cut-off areas packhorses had to be brought out to get essential supplies through. Many villages were without letters, newspapers, coal, and fresh food supplies for days. At Haltwhistle, Northumberland, where farmers holding their first market of the year were able to bring scarcely anything to sell, there was a shortage of beer, and customers who wanted whisky generally got it out of miniature bottles, there being no other supplies.

Here, when I wanted to telephone to Alston (1,000-foot high market town) I was told at the post-office that if I wrote my message as a telegram they would send it by train, and when I tried to get through to Alston by road my driver, wisely turned back at a treacherous stretch of fell road where icicles hung more than a yard long and frozen snowdrifts were deeper.

Dirty days for shepherds

Farmers argued whether the storm was the worst since 1917 or 1898, and told stories of thousands of hill sheep buried under snow having to be dug out and brought into safer ground or hand-fed where they were. To get turnips to feed them farmers had to dig through feet of snow. Other farmers have nearly used up their available supplies of strictly rationed, feeding stuffs, and ploughing programmes are six weeks in arrears.

Every day hill shepherds have been out, sometimes on horseback, searching for sheep, either with long poles with which they probe the drifts or with dogs that can scent through several feet of snow.

Sledges were also in use, and people walked across five-barred gates, high walls and hedges, scarcely knowing they were there.

Many bus services radiating from Carlisle were stopped. When some of the roads were cleared by cuttings through drifts up to ten feet deep the snow walls caved in during a short thaw and closed them again. Then came another freeze-up and many cars were ditched.

For a time train services, too, were also interrupted. The Carlisle-Newcastle service got through when it could. Up there they still chuckle about the train that got through to the mine on a Friday. But it was Thursday's train—B. B. the "Sunday Express."

How the Nurses got through

Some had to dig their way to patients' homes; one was carried over deep drifts by men relatives of a sick woman; some who had already reached their patients' homes were storm-stayed there for days, and doctors on horseback had to attend to other normally nursing cases.

At Hallbankgate, twelve miles from Carlisle, the only way the nurse could reach a sick household was by travelling on a colliery locomotive.

At one maternity case in a fell-side house, with snow nearly up to the roof, complications developed and in the "Sunday Express."



THE THWARTED ARCHITECT

After 10 years tried to be an architect, but failed.

VON PAPEN INTRIGUE SUSPECTED SYRIA MAY BE NEXT ON LIST

Special to the "Telegraph"

ISTANBUL, MAY 14 (UP).—THE RETURN TO ISTANBUL OF HERR VON PAPEN THE NAZI AMBASSADOR, HAS STARTED NEW SPECULATIONS AS TO THE PURPOSE OF THE ENVOY'S SUDDEN VISIT TO BERLIN AND AS TO WHETHER HE IS TO MAKE DEMANDS ON TURKEY. WHILE NOTHING OFFICIAL IS OBTAINABLE FROM GERMAN OR TURKISH SOURCES, BEST INFORMED DIPLOMATIC QUARTERS BELIEVE THAT VON PAPEN'S REQUESTS TO TURKEY ARE SIMPLY ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL.

BRITISH FORCES STRENGTHENED

Iraq Situation Defined

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—The position in Iraq was defined by Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, in the House of Commons to-day.

BALKED IN BALKANS

Effects On Nazis Will Be Severe

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—“We shall see it through,” declared Mr L. S. Amery, Secretary of State for India, speaking at Coventry this evening. He was referring to the battle of the Atlantic.

After recalling how the first air battle of Britain last autumn “put an end to all Hitler's dreams of walking into and over unarmed England,” Mr Amery said: “The second air and submarine battle covering both Britain and its Atlantic approaches is in progress. It calls for all our energy and skill to meet it.”

“We shall see it through and however long it continues, Hitler will be no nearer the goal of his ambition here than he was when he gave up the first battle of Britain six months ago.”

Balkans

Alluding to the Balkans, Mr Amery said: “The strain thrown upon Germany in a wholly unexpected campaign in the Balkans may well have thrown out of gear the whole of Hitler's plans for a victorious march across Turkey. Its effects upon Germany's communications and sources of supply may indeed be felt fully in the course of the coming months.”

Iraq

Dealing with Iraq, Mr Amery said that a highly dangerous situation had been developing. We had forced Raschid Ali and his clique to show their hand in the vain hope that German help could reach them in time. We launched a dangerous bluff just as it came to a head.

“In the action we have taken, we have entertained no illusions against Iraq's independence, for which we, as a country—and I might add, I myself when formerly in office—have done everything in our power.”

“We ask for no more than fulfilment of those obligations of an alliance which Iraq accepted freely as the only effective guarantee of her own security.”

NAINITAL, United Provinces, May 14 (Reuter).—The Government, it is learnt, are arranging accommodation in Nainital for about 60 refugees from the Balkans, who recently arrived in India.

“Sunken” British Fleet: Fantastic Italian Claims

(“Reuter's” Correspondent With British Mediterranean Fleet).

Aboard H.M.S. Ark Royal, May 14.—We have just been listening on the radio to fantastic Italian claims of ships and aircraft brought down during last week's air attack on the British warships escorting a convoy in the western Mediterranean.

We were steaming along merrily, quite unaware that we had been struck by three torpedoes, and the glowing account of the damage inflicted on our ships gave us a good laugh after the grim eight-hours' battle between the British fighters, ships and guns and Axis bombers.

The simple truth is that Italian bombers escorted by hordes of fighters and assisted by Nazi Stukas and Messerschmitts with favourable weather failed to secure even a near miss on any ship, but were given such a rough handling by our fighters and a tremendous concentration of nearly 100 A.A. guns that they lost seven aircraft for certain, and five more were badly damaged.

Four actual attacks materialised in the day of perpetual threats—two by torpedo bombers and two high-flying bombers. Every minute of the day the ships' fighters were constantly alert for everywhere in low-hanging clouds there might be enemy bomber formations.

We were steaming between the Cagliari naval base and Sicily so that the Italians were able to accompany their bombers with many squadrons of well armed and fast land fighters.

Fight in Clouds
While the ships' guns belched shells in an almost day-long barrage, the

Big demands such as the passage of troops, the repudiation by Turkey of her alliance with Britain and the linking instead of Turkey to the tri-Power pact, may come later, if and when Turkey is more fully isolated by events which may develop in Syria and Iraq.

It is believed that it is one of von Papen's main tasks to direct German activities in these countries.

Diplomatic quarters pointed out that there are no reports indicating any extraordinary German troops concentrations on the Turkish frontier such as would be expected as a prelude to any drastic German demands.

The Iraqi Defence Minister, Hajj Sayid Shekhet did not see any other officials or diplomats after his talks with Government officials to-day, but according to the Iraqi Legation, he will probably see von Papen before the former leaves for Baghdad on Friday.

There is no confirmation in the report that the Iraqi Defence Minister has asked the Turks to permit the passage of war materials from Germany to Iraq; in any case Turkish political circles maintain that Turkey would never consent to such a request.

Sees President Inonu

ANKARA, May 14 (UP).—President Inonu to-day received von Papen at the President's residence. A very high Turkish official in the Foreign Office stated that von Papen “brought nothing unpleasant,” while Turkish political circles report that von Papen is playing the role of an “angel of peace,” and all Turkish statesmen are assured that Turkey “has nothing to fear.”

It is reported that at present there is no question of particular German demands; however, the fact that the British Ambassador, Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen spent the entire morning with the Foreign Minister, M. Sarajoglu on the day of von Papen's return is regarded as being significant.

Secret Session

ANKARA, May 14 (Reuter).—Herr Franz von Papen, the German Ambassador, paid the customary call to an ambassador returning to his post at the Foreign Office to-day and saw M. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister.

The Turkish Cabinet held its usual weekly meeting later in the day after which M. Sarajoglu addressed the People's Party secret session for an hour on the subject of foreign affairs. The Premier, Dr Refik Saydam, then gave a resume of foreign developments, after which the meeting, in the words of an official communiqué, ended in an outburst of applause.

No Demands, Says Budapest

BUDAPEST, May 14 (UP).—The semi-official news agency reports from Istanbul that von Papen reported to President Inonu “Germany has no demands to make on Turkey. Some Ankara circles, however, fear that new demands are feasible.”

Priority For Distance Bombers

SPECIAL TO THE “TELEGRAPH”
WASHINGTON, May 14 (UP).—It revealed here to-day that United States defence officials have placed long range four-motored bombers and engines at the top of the “urgent production” list.

A revised listing of priorities compiled on a basis of shortages and urgency placed the status of engines and bombers just behind the rating assigned to machine tools, thus putting them in the same class with such items as the Panama Canal defences, small navy ships and anti-aircraft guns.

Meanwhile, the War Department is developing plans to expand immediately facilities for making four-engined bombers and it is understood that funds from the \$1,500,000,000 available for the expansion of munition plant facilities will be turned into the production of up to 500 bombers monthly. The new programme will probably provide for two new assembly plants and enlarging the assembly plants which are now under construction at Fort Worth, Texas and Tulsa, Oklahoma in addition to converting other type of aircraft plants and the engine industry likewise.

Torpedo Attack

The day's most notable feat came at dusk when the last attack was made by torpedo bombers, while at the same time a force of 30 Stukas protected by six fighters were cruising in the clouds with the obvious intention of making a simultaneous attack.

Suddenly six British fighters dived among them—with machine-guns spitting venomously. One Stuka dived into the sea in flames and two fighters staggered off into cloud shelter with smoke streaming from them. Bullets were rained on the gallant little group of British fighters from all sides, but they maintained their attack until the enemy quailed. The “hopelessly” scattered Stukas dropped their bombs into the sea and fled leaving our fighters unharmed but victorious.

Ambassador's Appeal Not Directed To H.K.
With reference to the appeal by H. M. Ambassador to China, to Britons in China urging them to join the fighting services, inquiries made of the local Government this morning confirmed that there was no change in local policy in this respect.

Mass Flight Of Bombers To Hawaii

SPECIAL TO THE “TELEGRAPH”

WASHINGTON, May 14 (UP).—The War Department announced to-day that 21 “Flying Fortress” bombers completed a mass flight from San Francisco to Hawaii in a move to strengthen the island's defences.

The War Department stated that the bombers took off 6:29 P.M. last night under the leadership of Lieutenant General Delos E. Emmons, of the General Headquarters Air Force as commander, and landed safely at Hickam Field, Oahu, at 8:28 a.m. P.M. to-day.

The announcement said that the bombers are the latest models of 22-ton Boeing long-range bombers known as B-17 and have the most modern armament. More medium bombers having an operation range of 180 miles at sea and more “Flying Fortresses” will be sent to Hawaii “in the near future.”

The Army for the past several months has been strengthening the Hawaii defences with new pursuit planes and twin-engined bombers.

BOMBS ON HELIGOLAND

St Nazaire Visit

SPECIAL TO THE “TELEGRAPH”
LONDON, May 14 (UP).—An Air Ministry communiqué stated: “During daylight yesterday, Bomber Command aircraft attacked the naval base on the fortified island of Heligoland. Bombs were dropped on the jetty and buildings causing a number of fires. Machine-gun attacks were also made from very low levels on the barracks and gun positions. None of our aircraft is missing.”

A successful attack was made on shipping in the docks at St Nazaire. Two of our aircraft are missing.”

ITALIAN CREW Saboteurs Sentenced

SPECIAL TO THE “TELEGRAPH”

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., May 14 (UP).—The Captains and 58 members of the crews of the Italian freighters Irenia and Confidenza were to-day sentenced to terms ranging from two and a half to four years after being convicted on sabotage charges or charges of conspiracy to commit sabotage.

The black conical buoy in Malacca Strait—North Klang Strait—will be withdrawn on or about May 14 until further notice. The position is lat. 03 degrees 09' 30" N., long. 101 degrees 15' 30" E., (Approx.).

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Abyssinia Trap Is Closing

CAIRO, May 14 (Reuter).—A communiqué states:

“In Abyssinia, despite road obstruction and other physical difficulties, our two forces converging on Amba Alagi are making satisfactory progress.”

“In the lakes area south of Addis Ababa, a further success has been gained by the capture of a strongly defended enemy position. The prisoners taken number 500 with two batteries of artillery, five light tanks and one anti-tank gun.”

“Our troops have also occupied Algi, an important post north of Yavello.”

“On the Neghell—Dalle road, pursuit of the enemy is continuing. In an action on May 12 with the enemy engaged, which was driven back with heavy losses, our troops captured over 100 prisoners.”

Gallant Indian Troops

SIMLA, May 14 (Reuter).—A vivid account of how Indian troops at dawn on May 10 successfully attacked and captured further heights east of the enemy positions at Amba Alagi has been received from an Indian Army eye-witness.

The first two hills were taken without much resistance but after the capture of a third hill, a heavy counter-attack was launched and our positions were fiercely bombarded by light mountain artillery and mortars.

The Indians' experience of warfare on the North-West Frontier stood them in good stead, and they held their ground. The country was extraordinarily difficult and remarkable work was done by Indian soldiers in nude columns.

One outstanding exploit among many was a bayonet charge led by an Indian officer. An enemy machine-gun singled him out but he miraculously escaped a stream of bullets, and the post was silenced.

Bold Grenadier

In another instance, during a desperate enemy counter-attack, a Sepoy stood cut in the open, hurling hand grenades among the advancing Italians.

Continuous thunder-storms and heavy rain have failed entirely to dampen our men's spirits.

A stream of prisoners, among whom are many officers, are being sent to the rear.

Research To Combat Night Raids

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—The progress of research in combating the night bombing menace was mentioned by the Home Secretary, Mr Herbert Morrison, in a speech in London to-day.

On the subject of night fighters, Mr Morrison declared: “There have been great achievements. I am told that research and development have gone as far in this last ten months as they would have done in ten years of peace so that to-day those who know best think that in night interception we are rather more than a shade ahead of the enemy.”

While warning against hasty conclusions from recent successes, Mr Morrison claimed that nevertheless “a significant thing is the steady and consistent rise in the curve of victories since the dark times of winter.”

A cheque for \$2,000 for the Bomber Fund was received this morning from Mr John Fleming.

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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES

Close Games In Last Week's Schedule

R. S. Meadows Loses Seven But Wins His Game

A.P. Guterres' Fine Success

LAST SATURDAY I referred to B. Basto's rather unusual "achievement" of losing a seven in a League game and yet winning. It was a coincidence that on that very day R. S. Meadows of the Kowloon C.C. juniors had the same distinction in his encounter with C. Gowland of the Prison Officers' Club.

The only surprise result—if one may call it that—in last week's Senior Division programme was the victory of Recreio "B" over the Indian R.C. at King's Park. There were only four shots in it at the end, and the Portuguese team collected four points, principally as the result of A. P. Guterres' splendid win over A. R. Dallah by 10 shots.



Recreio "A" v. Kowloon C.C. The C. G. Silva-T. A. Madar rink game in progress. Silva won 22-20. Standing around the jack watching the skips bowl are C. E. Marques, H. A. Alves and J. A. Luz (Recreio), N. J. Bebbington, W. W. Parsons and A. E. P. Guest (K.C.C.).—Ming Yuen.

Guterres obtained the lead early in the game and kept it to the end. He was finely supported by A. M. Rodrigues at No. 3, and his two other front men, A. F. Noronha and A. M. Xavier, were playing better bowls than their opposite numbers.

J. J. Basto had a close struggle with A. K. Minu and just managed to keep his nose in front by a single shot. He was in the lead most of the time, but conceded a five on the 18th head to trail 14-15. However, he came back with a couple of twos and though he lost a two on the last end he won 18-17.

Some skips have an inordinate fear of being stuck at 13. "Baby" Basto is one of them. The week before, he conceded a seven in a desperate effort to get out of this number; last Saturday, he scored a four to reach 12—and there he remained until the end of the match. As a result of the four, he led M. R. Abbas 13-10, but try as he did, he could not score again and Abbas went on to register 10 shots from singles and twos.

As more or less to be expected, Recreio "A" and Craignower C.C. won their matches easily, against Kowloon C.C. and Kowloon Docks respectively. Each side collected maximum points, winning on three rinks.

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ORTHODOX WINS NEWMARKET STAKES

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—Orthodox (7/2) won the Newmarket Stakes, to-day, beating Sunny Island (7/1) by a head. A neck separated Starwort (10/1) from the two leaders. Twelve ran.

T. A. Madar, the K.C.C. skip, put up a good struggle against Carlos Silva, one of the most consistent skips in the League, and was only beaten by two shots. In the domestic affair at Kowloon B.G.C., Bob Duncan was the only "B" team skip to be on the winning end, his victim being G. H. Sheriff. But A. J. Hall, of the "A" team, had only two shots to spare against J. McKelvie, though Adam Holland's rink, which appears to be the strongest in the club, was eight to the good against L. Guy's four.

THE match between Police R.C. and Civil Service C.C. on the former's green was a close affair, four shots separating the two teams and giving the Police four points to their opponents' one.

It is rather surprising that E. G. Post's rink, although a good one on paper and seems to be the best in the Police team, has not yet been able to get going. His front men are G. Perkins, F. Nolan and A. E. Carey, three men as good as any skip could normally expect; yet they have been beaten twice already.

On the other hand, J. Shepherd goes from strength to strength. Following his good win at Sookunpo the previous Saturday, he beat J. F. MacGowan by 22-17 last week. W. McLeod, W. Harris and W. S. Dall have so far given him all the support he wants.

IN the Second Division, the Prison Officers' Club, who gained promotion on the strength of their success in the Third Division last year, are making their presence felt already. They have made a good start—two victories in two matches—and will bear watching.

The best performance in this section was, in my opinion, the victory of Kowloon F.C. over Talkoo R.C. at Talkoo.

The latter are always a difficult team to beat, especially on their own green, and even if they are not as formidable as of yore, a win over them on their own green is something to feel pleased about. W. V. Field's 25-shot win over J. A. Watson made the aggregate result almost certain for the visitors.

THE Hongkong C.C., in the Third Division, had the honour of being one of the teams to make a clean sweep. And their achievement was all the more creditable in that it was performed away from their own green. The H.K.C.C. men were nothing if not consistent—one rink won by five shots and the other two by six each.

Probably the most exciting game in the whole programme was that between the Indian R.C. juniors and Hongkong F.C. With two rinks finished, the Footballers already had one point and were virtually certain of two as C. F. Needham was leading A. H. Madar 21-15 with only one head to play. But the aggregate result stood at 62-62.

Therefore, the result of the last head between Needham and Madar meant two points for either side.

The Footballers were lying until A. G. Saffell, Madar's No. 3, drew the shot—which remained despite all the Footballers' efforts to remove it.

Thus S. M. Rumjohn, who beat P. C. Morgan by ten shots, was able to carry the side on his shoulders. He was the only skip to do so on the day's play.

F.A. Council Meeting

Future Touring Soccer Clubs Must Submit Accounts

Important Resolution

AN IMPORTANT RESOLUTION, having bearing on all future touring soccer teams from Hongkong, was passed at the Monthly meeting of the Hongkong F.A. Council last night. This was that in future all teams touring with the permission of the Association should maintain a proper statement of accounts to submit to the Association.

The resolution was passed following further discussion on correspondence that had been exchanged between the Kwong Wah A.A. and the Eastern A.A., the latter of whom has just completed a tour of the Philippines.

The resolution arose out of discussion on inducement to players and Mr. Wong Ka-tsun, Chairman, said that unless a prima facie case was made out the Association could not make investigations into the affairs of any Club on flimsy suspicion alone.

Supporting Mr. Wong in the Chair were Mr. C. A. Goldenberg, Hon. Secretary and Mr. L. F. de Souza, Hon. Treasurer. Other members present were Messrs P. O. Brown, T. G. Stokes, W. J. Brown, J. Skinner, J. McKelvie, Mok Hing, Charles Young, Lt. H. S. Cooper and C. Gulmgam.

The Chairman said a letter had been received from South China advising that Mr. Young had been appointed General Secretary and that he would represent the Association at future Council meetings.

It was decided that \$3,300, proceeds of the Sunday Herald Cup, be allocated to 22 institutions.

Donations

It was also decided that the net proceeds, amounting to approximately \$5,500 of late receipts of the final of the Governor's Cup be donated in equal amounts to the Bomber Fund and Chinese War Charities. The donations will be made jointly in the name of the Association and Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation.

The following were elected members of a sub-committee to draft alterations to the rules—Messrs C. Gulmgam, T. G. Stokes, Wong Ka-tsun and J. Skinner.

An honorarium of \$375 each to the Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer was passed unanimously.

S. C. A. A. On Tour

The South China Athletic Association's Football touring team to Malaya has left the Colony and will be away for about two-and-a-half months.

The team is being captained by veteran Lee Wal-tong and includes the cream of the talent which helped them secure major League honours during the past season.

Mr. Walter Hamming Chen, who has represented South China on the Council of the Football Association and who has played a big part in their success, is accompanying the team as Assistant Manager.

Cottage Club's Final Paper Hunt

THE COTTAGE CLUB'S final paper-hunt of the season will take place on Saturday evening, starting at 8.30 p.m. from a point near San Tin Village, near the entrance to Sunny Farm. Ponies will be drawn for at the Club at 5 p.m. After the hunt, an open-air barbecue will be held in the Club grounds for members and friends.

SKIPS TABLES

First Division

Name	Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	For.	Ag.	Up.	Dn.	Pts.
A. M. Holland	K.B.G.C. "A"	2	2	-	-	52	23	29	-	4
M. R. Abbas	I.R.C.	2	2	-	-	40	28	21	-	4
A. P. Guterres	Rec. "B"	2	2	-	-	45	27	18	-	4
J. Shepherd	P.R.C.	2	2	-	-	50	34	16	-	4
U. M. Omar	C.C.C.	2	2	-	-	46	31	15	-	4
A. J. Hall	K.B.G.C. "A"	2	2	-	-	30	29	10	-	4
C. G. Silva	Rec. "A"	2	2	-	-	43	35	8	-	4
R. F. Luz	Rec. "A"	2	2	-	-	38	31	7	-	4
C. S. Rosset	C.C.C.	2	1	-	-	44	30	14	-	2
B. W. Bradbury	C.C.C.	2	1	-	-	50	37	13	-	2
J. F. McGowan	C.S.C.C.	2	1	-	-	38	34	4	-	2
R. Duncan	K.B.G.C. "B"	2	1	-	-	40	47	2	-	2
M. N. Rakusen	C.S.C.C.	2	1	-	-	42	40	2	-	2
J. J. Basto	Rec. "B"	2	1	-	-	40	40	-	-	1
F. X. Silva	Rec. "A"	2	1	-	-	33	33	-	-	2
T. A. Madar	K.C.C.	2	1	-	-	41	42	-	-	1
J. McKelvie	K.B.G.C. "B"	2	1	-	-	41	42	-	-	1
A. R. Dallah	I.R.C.	2	1	-	-	34	35	-	-	1
B. Basto	Rec. "B"	2	1	-	-	37	42	-	-	5
J. Kempton	K.D.R.C.	2	1	-	-	36	48	-	-	12
W. Mair	P.R.C.	2	1	-	-	34	46	-	-	12
C. Strange	C.S.C.C.	2	1	-	-	37	39	-	-	2
J. Fraser	K.C.C.	2	1	-	-	34	40	-	-	6
G. S. Sheriff	K.B.G.C.	2	1	-	-	38	44	-	-	6
A. K. Minu	I.R.C.	2	1	-	-	23	46	-	-	12
E. G. Post	P.R.C.	2	1	-	-	23	44	-	-	12
E. C. Fincher	K.C.C.	2	1	-	-	26	41	-	-	15
L. Guy	K.B.G.C.	2	1	-	-	23	46	-	-	10
R. Morrison	K.D.R.C.	2	1	-	-	29	40	-	-	17
T. Coleman	K.D.R.C.	2	1	-	-	27	58	-	-	41

Second Division

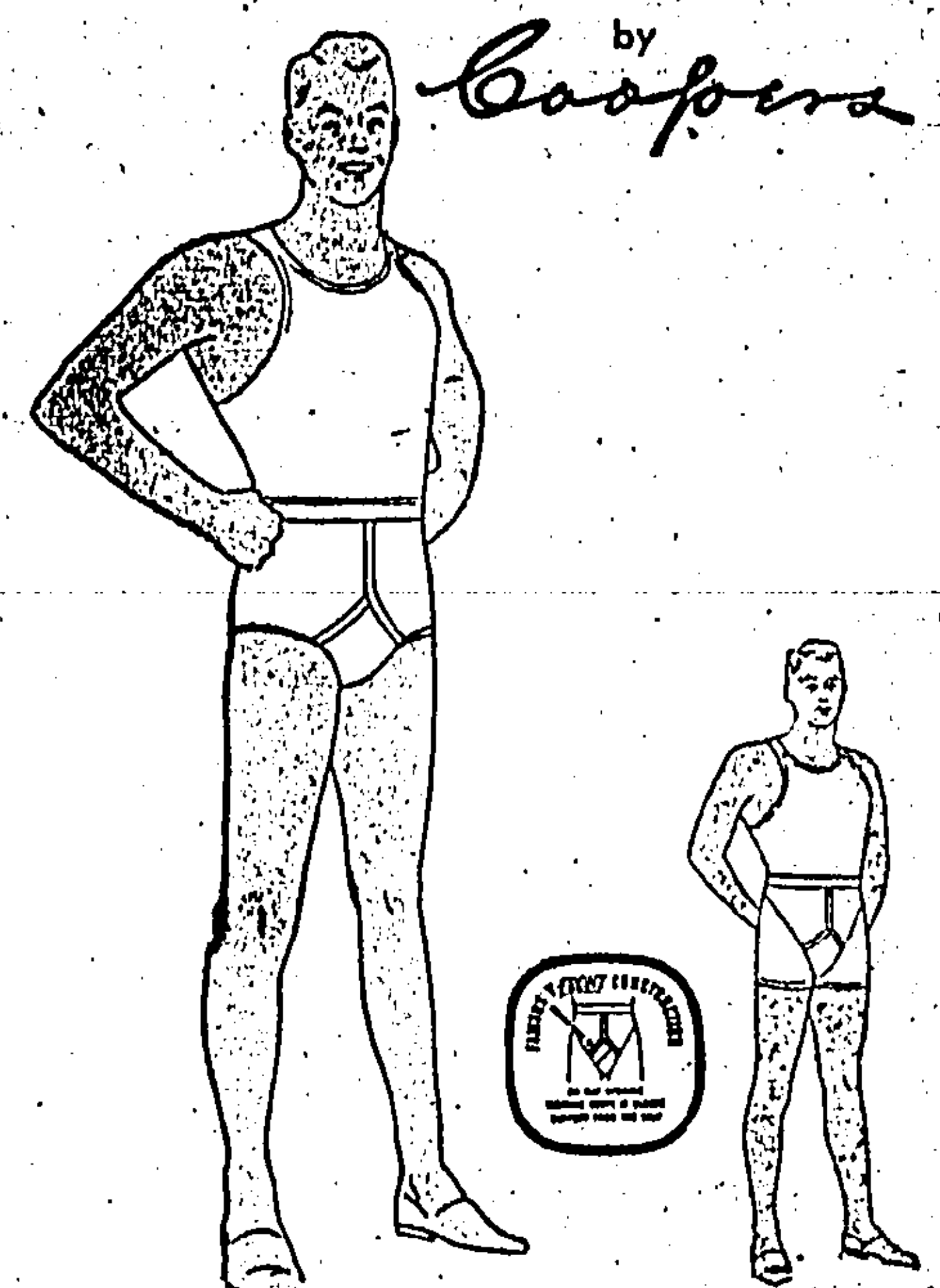
Name	Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	For.	Ag.	Up.	Dn.	Pts.
W. V. Field	K.F.C.	2	2	-	-	60	24	42	-	4
A. J. Kew	K. Tong	2	2	-	-	53	26	27	-	4
H. W. Randall	C.C.C.	2	2	-	-	48	24	24	-	4
A. Jilott	P.O.C.	2	2	-	-	46	32	14	-	4
P. Youngusband	K.F.C.	2	2	-	-	40	27	13	-	4
O. P. Remedios	Rec.	2	1	-	-	42	30	6	-	3
W. Macfarlane	K.F.C.	2	1	-	-	35	30	5	-	3
C. Gowland	P.O.C.	2	1	-	-	50	38	18	-	2
W. Melrose	Talkoo	2	1	-	-	20	13	10	-	2
T. Lock	C.C.C.	2	1	-	-	42	35	7	-	2
J. L. Stephens	K. Tong	2	1	-	-	40	36	3	-	2
A. Steven	K.C.C.	2	1	-	-	34	30	-	-	2
J. R. Soares	Rec.	2	1	-	-	45	48	-	-	3
T. W. Carr	K.C.C.	2	1	-	-	34	40	-	-	6
W. J. Bagley	P.O.C.	2	1	-	-	39	47	-	-	8
R. S. Meadows	K.C.C.	2	1	-	-	38	48	-	-	10
W. J. Howard	K. Tong	2	1	-	-	34	41	-	-	7
M. J. Medina	C.C.C.	2	1	-	-	31	50	-	-	19
H. V. Pearce	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	-	27	33	-	-	6
G. E. Costello	H.K.C.C.	2	1	-	-	15	21	-	-	6
F. Goodwin	H.K.C.C.	2	1	-	-	20	28	-	-	8
J. Gill	H.K.C.C.	2	1	-	-	13	23	-	-	10
J. C. Chalmers	Talkoo	2	1	-	-	12	22	-	-	10
A. Brooksbank	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	-	15	32	-	-	17
J. A. Remedios	Rec.	2	1	-	-	26	45	-	-	19
W. Simpson	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	-	27	48	-	-	21
J. A. Watson	Talkoo	2	1	-	-	9	34	-	-	25

Third Division

Name	Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	For.	Ag.	Up.	Dn.	Pts.
I. T. Smalley	K.F.C.	2	2	-	-	52	32	20	-	4
C. F. Needham	H.K.F.C.	2	2	-	-	50	30	20	-	4
E. S. Abraham	H.K.C.C.	2	2	-	-	43	31	12	-	4
S. M. Rumtahn	I.R.C.	2	1	-	-	42	32	10	-	3
G. S. Ladd	C.C.C.	2	1	-	-	25	10	15	-	2
F. Channing	P.R.C.	2	1	-	-	47	37	10	-	2
A. O. Madar	I.R.C.	2	1	-	-	25	16	9	-	2
A. Nissim	H.K.C.C.	2	1	-	-	24	18	6	-	2
A. M. Wahab	I.R.C.	2	1	-	-	43	38	5	-	2
H. Nish	K.B.G.C.	2	1	-	-	23	18	5	-	2
W. A. Cornell	H.K.C.C.	2	1	-	-	20	15	5	-	2
J. B. Gilroy	H.K.C.C.	2	1	-	-	19	15	4	-	2
H. Ogden	H.K.C.C.	2	1	-	-	13	41	2	-	2
M. A. Carvalho	Rec.	2	1	-	-	33	32	1	-	2
K. C. Hamilton	K.B.G.C.	2	1	-	-	23	22	1	-	2
J. Russell	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	-	40	40	-	-	2
M. F. Alarcon	Rec.	2	1	-	-	42	46	-	-	4
J. C. Altken	P.R.C.	2	1	-	-	30	40	-	-	4
B. Evans	K.F.C.	2	1	-	-	31	42	-	-	11
A. J. Coelho	C.C.C.	2	1	-	-	28	43	-	-	15
J. Macdonald	P.R.C.	2	1	-	-	26	32	-	-	0
N. P. Karahija	C.C.C.	2	1	-	-	22	23	-	-	1
G. E. F. Thompson	K.B.G.C.	2	1	-	-	14	10	-	-	2
A. F. Paul	H.K.E.R.C.	2	1	-	-	15	19	-	-	4
A. H. Madar	I.R.C.	2	1	-	-	16	23	-	-	5
C. E. Hagagan	H.K.E.R.C.	2	1	-	-	15	20	-	-	5
L. de Rome	H.K.E.R.C.	2	1	-	-	18	24	-	-	6
P. A. Yvanovich	Rec.	2	1	-	-	31	43	-	-	12
P. C. Morgan	H.K.F.C.	2	1	-	-	34	47	-	-	13
A. McKellar	H.K.C.C.	2	1	-	-	14	20	-	-	15
J. Pau	C.C.C.	2	1	-	-	34	50	-	-	22

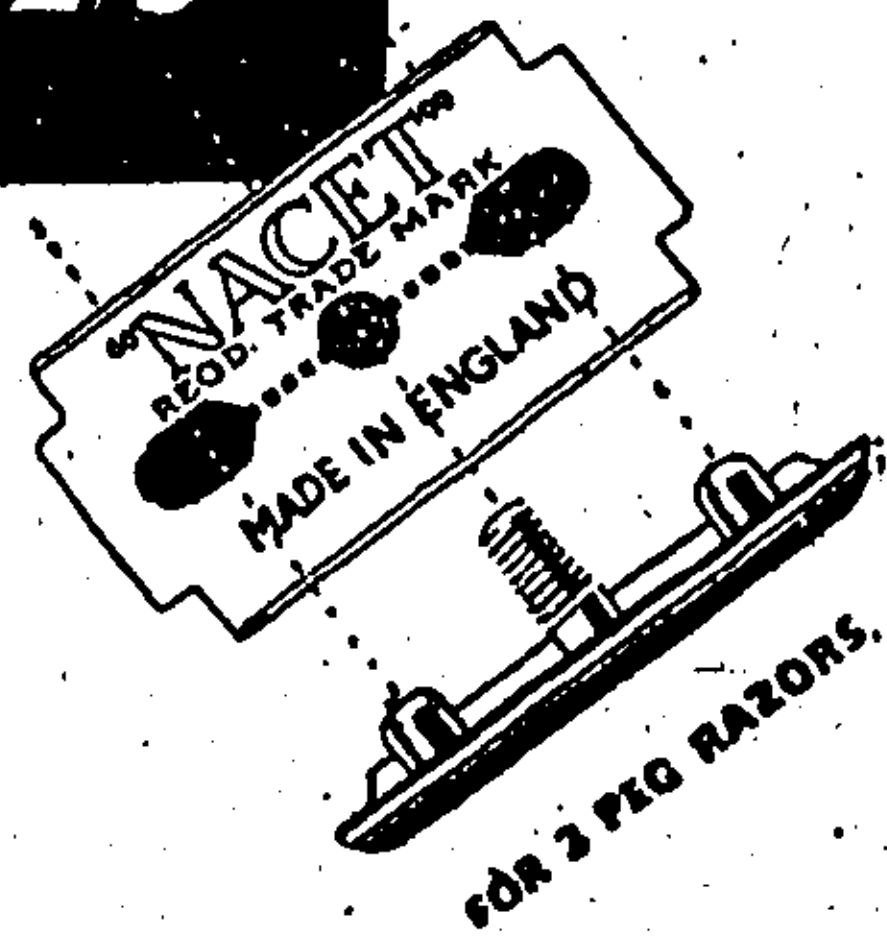
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B.B.C. UNDER FIRE FROM M.P.s

Discussions are taking place among back bench M.P.s in all parties on making a joint protest against the way the B.B.C. presents news of Parliament.

For some time there has been strong criticism of what M.P.s describe as the B.B.C.'s "front-bench" bias.

M.P.s declare that B.B.C. accounts in the news bulletins give a distorted picture of Parliamentary debates.

They are almost entirely devoted to Government statements, and rarely give any indication of the criticisms voiced by M.P.s.

M.P.s strongly resent this. Their indignation has come to a head following the B.B.C.'s report of the recent debate on the MacDonald Bill.

No Indication
The B.B.C. gave no indication that almost every speaker before Mr Churchill spoke expressed opposition to the measure.

One explanation offered by B.B.C. spokesmen is that they only have a limited amount of time for Parliamentary news.

The view is growing, however, that the real explanation is not a technical one.

M.P.s feel that the B.B.C., under orders or otherwise, is pursuing a deliberate policy of presenting Parliament to the nation only as a sounding board for Government spokesmen.

Another Criticism
Another criticism aimed at the B.B.C. is contained in a motion tabled by 40 M.P.s.

It protests "against political discrimination" when employment is being given by organisations associated with the State.

Some of the supporters of the motion object, for example, to such incidents as the naming of the broadcasts of Sir Hugh Robertson's choir because of Sir Hugh's political views.

Mrs Allen, Mrs Grant Go to Law

MRS ALLEN and Mrs Grant went to law recently, and all because of some tea, sugar, milk, coffee, a pair of boots—and two cats.

Mrs Allen had temporarily evacuated from her home in Swinton-street, King's Cross, W.C., and left the key with Mrs Grant in the flat below.

She claimed £1 17s. 6d. from Mrs Grant, alleging that her neighbour had used some of her stores of provisions and had taken a pair of boots.

Husband To Consider
Mrs Grant denied this, and added: "Mrs Allen's husband was there three weeks after she left and came back before her."

"What was he eating while she was away?"

She said she had kept Mrs Allen's two cats for seven weeks and counter-claimed for £1 4s. 6d., being three pence per cat per day.

The Judge Mr Registrar Friend, before whom the two women faced each other at Clerkenwell County Court, dismissed both claims and counter-claims.

"No costs for either of you," he said.

"Do try to live in a little more peace with one another."

And Mrs Allen and Mrs Grant, having tasted the law, walked slowly home.

BANK STAFF UNION RECOGNISED

Barclays Bank has agreed to recognise and negotiate with the Bank Officers' Guild, the trade union of bank staffs in England and Wales.

This is the first of the large clearing banks to accord such recognition.

MILLION ASPIRINS

A million aspirin tablets, weighing half a ton, are among the medical supplies to be sent to England from the School of Pharmacy of the University of Buffalo.

They are the gift of a firm of manufacturing chemists.

Y.M.C.A. Assets Seized By Nazis: U.S. Protest

The State Department has protested to the German Government in behalf of the American Young Men's Christian Association against seizure by the invading German forces of three camps owned by the Polish Y.M.C.A.

The protest points out that the value of the three buildings is approximately \$2,000,000 and that more than one-half of this amount came from American donors and was given with the stipulation that if the buildings were ever used for other than Y.M.C.A. purposes the money would revert to America.

According to reliable reports from Poland, the Y.M.C.A. building in Warsaw is now serving as the seat of the German Government in Poland, while that in Krakow is headquarters for the Gestapo, Germany's secret police. The third building is in Lodz.

The building in Warsaw is the largest Y.M.C.A. structure in Europe.

Protest To Soviet
The U.S. Government has also sent a formal note of protest to Moscow against what is described as the repeated robbing and desecration of a Roman Catholic church there.

The church, under the direction of an American priest, has been robbed five times within the last year and was recently desecrated.

The protest points out that under the Soviet-American Accord of 1933, American citizens were to have freedom of worship in Russia and to have such churches as they desired.

Officials view the incident as a further evidence of the eventual fall of religion under all types of totalitarian government.

Shaw Flays BBC Ban On Artists

George Bernard Shaw broke a long silence recently with a hearty jab at his favourite target—the BBC. The United Press reported from London that he had described it as "British Nazism gone mad," because it banned some famous entertainers who supported the recent Peoples Convention which called for "peace with the German people," reports "P.M."

"The whole managing staff of the BBC should be sacked instantly," the bearded playwright said in a message to the National Council of Civil Liberties.

"Here we are in the thick of a war which we claim to be fighting as the champions of western democracy. Daily we throw into the teeth of Germany and Italy reproach because they abolished the rights of public meeting and free speech. Yet this is the world-wide exhibition of British Nazism gone mad—just or top of the suppression of the 'Daily Worker,' too."

The reason for Shaw's outburst against the BBC, which once banned him for ad libbing, was an announcement—that Michael Redgrave, star of the popular British film, "The Lady Vanishes," and other actors would not be allowed to broadcast until they had withdrawn support from the People's Convention.

Famous Portsmouth Hotel Destroyed

Among the buildings destroyed by fire in a recent raid on Portsmouth was the George Hotel, one of the oldest hostels in the city.

It was at the George that Lord Nelson breakfasted on September 14, 1805, before embarking in H.M.S. Victory, in which he lost his life five weeks later at Trafalgar.

The fire gutted the building, including the Nelson room, in which there was a four-poster bed recording Nelson's association with the place was one of the few historical features saved from the flames.

Landlady Objected To His Murals of Pigs

ART Master John R. Dewey painted snakes and ladders, noughts and crosses, and chess-men on the walls of a cottage he had rented near Weymouth. On the bedroom wall was a drawing of a man, a pig, and a small train.

The effect of all this on the owner of Lynden Lea—for that was its name—was an action at Weymouth County Court for damages for dilapidations.

Mrs Caroline Moore, the owner, claimed £23 10s. of which £10 was for the redecoration of these rooms and the remainder for "reinstating" rockeries in the garden, to which Mr Dewey had given some attention.

Mrs Moore was unlucky.

"Old-Fashioned"
Said Judge Cave: "I am not aware of any authority to prevent a new tenant decorating a house according to his own taste."

The style in which Mr Dewey decorated these rooms would probably not please me. I am not an art master, and perhaps I am a little old-fashioned.

"But these decorations do not affect the repair and condition of the house."

Mr Dewey's unorthodox extended also to his correspondence. In one letter, read by Mrs Moore's solicitor he said: "I note that in several letters you have referred to your daughter's interest in my work in the garden."

Woman-Hater
"Please tender her my compliments, but tell her I am a bachelor and a woman-hater."

"I have practically no use for women. They steal men's jobs and tell us how to run our lives. I will not allow women, old or young, to budge me out of my rustic simplicity."

Mrs Moore's reply denied any interest in Mr Dewey either on her daughter's part or her own. She got the last word—in a postscript. It said: "I suppose even you had a mother."

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Knowledge Of Seas Will Win War Says U.S. Envoy Winant

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—"The freedom-loving and peace-loving peoples of this earth are coming to realise that this is not Britain's fight alone," declared the United States Ambassador, Mr John Winant, addressing the English-Speaking Union luncheon in his honour to-day.

"On the wise use of the navies of the world may hang the destinies of the world's free people," Mr Winant continued.

"A kindly Providence at this time of stress and danger has placed at the heads of the two great English-speaking peoples two men whose knowledge of the seas is probably greater than that of any statesman of any time."

"The problems before them in defence of their countries are not simple problems but complicated ones. The common ideals of the English-speaking peoples of the world are not ideals from which other people are excluded: they are ideals alien in no country that loves liberty and hates tyranny."

"To-day the English-speaking peoples again are being drawn together in a struggle to preserve not only their common heritage but the common ideals of civilised men everywhere."

Totalitarian Tyranny
"With Machiavellian cunning, totalitarian tyranny has sought to divide and conquer peoples and nations who should stand together. By blackmail and terror, by intrigue and deceit, they have sought to weaken and undermine national unity in those countries whose freedom they would destroy. So far the totalitarianism have been appallingly successful. Experience has proved that they have a way of keeping their threats and break their promises. One by one they have destroyed one nation after another."

"For men and women of goodwill, there is only one choice. When Dictators conspire together, men and women of goodwill everywhere must act together."

Mr Eden
Speaking on the same occasion, the Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, said that the ignominious aim for which the Germans must now suffer and die was to seek to enslave others, but this conception was the crudest fantasy. Europe would never be composed of a master and a score of subject races.

The Nazis were fighting against the natural forces of history and were seeking to reverse the flow of the rivers of time. It was, therefore, not surprising to find among the small group of men trying to impose their rule by force evidence of dissection. In this, one might find partial explanation at least of the recent parachute descent that had so much electrified the world.

World's Future
In growing Anglo-American understanding lay the greatest hope for the world's future. "We share some traditions and we have now that you understand when we say that rather than yield up the 4th in which we believe, we are prepared to suffer whatever it may be that German might can impose."

NEW CHINESE GLACIER
A new glacier has been discovered by Chinese geologists on the side of a mountain near Pashan, in the Hanchung Basin, along the Sino-Soviet border. An expedition of the Chinese Institute of Geography has been to the glacier, which is estimated to be 300 square-kilo-meters in size.

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2.45 p.m. London Relay—"The Netherlands and the War" by His Excellency Dr Gerbrandy, President of the Netherlands Council of Ministers in London.

2.50 p.m. Primo Scala's Accordion Band.

2.55 p.m. Musical Comedy Selections.

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3.15 p.m. Hot Lips (Busse and others); I'm a Ding Dong Duddy (Baxter); Ragging the A.C.E. (Stainforth); Sarawaki (Gordon).

3.20 p.m. Studio—Local Newsletter.

3.25 p.m. New Variety.

3.30 p.m. Vocal—Only Forever (from Rhythm on the River); Denny Dennis with Novachord accompaniment; Vocal—Never Took a Lesson in My Life (Lawrence-Fore); I'll Never Smile Again, Until I Smile at You (Lowe); Elsie Carlisle with Instru. accompaniment; Accordion Band—The Swiss Ballerina (Frederic-Smetala); Primo Scala's Accordion Band with Vocal Chorus; Comedian—Sitting on the Ice in Ice Rink (Cottrell); Why Don't Women Like Me? (Cottrell-Bennett); George Formby with his Ukulele and Orchestra; Vocal—The Same Mistake Again (Lester-Smith); Primo Scala's Accordion Band with Vocal Chorus; Vocal—I'm Nobody's Baby (Davis and others); Maybe (Flynn-Madden); Anne Shelton with Instrumental accompaniment; 9. London Relay—"The News and News Commentary"; 9.15 p.m. Lucienne Boyer, Tino Rossi and the Orchestra Mascotte; Excitation—Waltz (Leufenschlag); Waltz of the Dolls (Joseph Bayer); Orchestra Mascotte; Past cadore—(Farwell Love); (Roads

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Nazis Would Revive Slave Days In Africa

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—"If the Nazis won, hope of civilisation in Africa would be at an end and its peoples would be thrown back into slavery under German task-masters," declared the Colonial Secretary, Lord Moyne, broadcasting in celebration of the 50th anniversary of Nyasaland Protectorate.

Lord Moyne said that men from all parts of Africa had been fighting lions in the Empire's armies which had destroyed "Italian" rule in East Africa.

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WANCHAI AFFRAY SEQUEL

Capital Charge

There was a sequel to the stabbing affray which occurred in Lockhart Road, Wanchai, on Tuesday afternoon when Ho San-chun, alias Ho Tai-wan, 26, unemployed cook-boy, was charged by Det. Inspector Whant before Mr H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at Central Magistracy this morning with the murder of Lam Chung-chuen outside No. 426 Lockhart Road, Wanchai, on Tuesday.

It will be recalled that in the sight of hundreds of pedestrians a woman was stabbed in the back and stomach and the man who was alleged to have attacked her is said to have been attacked by another man. The injured man died on the way to hospital and the woman is still in a serious condition at the Queen Mary Hospital.

Japanese And Oil Deal

Promoters' Glean

Some places in the world there are some pretty well embarrassed Japanese who apparently were duped by three Americans into making a deal for delivery of \$25,000,000 worth of oil to Japan, reports the New York Paper, "P.M."

If the U.S. Government charges are correct, the three men made the tremendous deal through a non-existent company, got the Japanese to post \$100,000 in advance, got them to send a tanker to Houston at a cost of \$20,000 and then lead them into finding that no one in Texas had ever heard of the men, the company or the oil.

Not content with burning up the Japanese, the American promoters also had nebulous plans for selling similar fictitious oil to England and France. They nurtured and closed the deals with expensive trans-oceanic telephone calls made from the chambers of a New York judge now dead. New York City is said to have paid about \$6000 in tolls and local charges.

Only one of the men has been arraigned and he was held in \$5000 bail.

Shot Before Wedding

Captain Peter Watkinson, of The Loyal Regiment, son of a Walton-on-the-Naze doctor, was recently injured in a shooting accident only an hour before his marriage and died in the Kent and Sussex Hospital at Tunbridge Wells.

He was explaining to his host and hostess the mechanism of a revolver when a shot rang out and he collapsed with a wound in the chest.

At the time 100 guests had assembled at Titchhurst Church, where he was to have been married to Miss Esme McKenzie Titchhurst.

London Doctors Lack Work

Many medical men are discovering that there is not sufficient work for them to do in London. Dr. Halliday Sutherland, assistant medical officer to the L.C.C., makes this comment, writing to the "British Medical Journal" about the decision to admit overseas doctors temporarily to the medical register:

"In the London area I and three of my medical friends with whom I have compared notes complain of lack of work. The authorities will add to our discontent if any alien doctor is given any work so long as that work could be equally well done by a British doctor in need of employment."

LATE NEWS

Dynamite From A.R.P. Tunnels

Thirty-seven sticks of dynamite were brought into the Central Magistracy this morning by Det. Sergeant W. Morrison when he charged two men employed on A.R.P. tunnel work, Chan Shu, 24, with the theft of 12 sticks and Chan Chi, 23, with the theft of 18 at the No. 18 tunnel site in Shing Ping Street, Wanchai, yesterday.

The complainant was Mr C. Tabogaden, a foreman of Messrs Marsman and residing at No. 15 Cameron Road, Kowloon.

Sergeant Morrison said that both defendants were employed by Messrs Marsman and were arrested by the foreman who saw them leaving the tunnel after work.

Defendants were fined \$100 or two months each.

Mr Nelson Johnson's Tribute To China

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made in the matter of transportation. Having recently travelled on the C.N.A.C. planes between here and Chungking, I cannot go away without giving some expression of my admiration of how the service is being carried on. It is being operated in a very efficient way," the Ambassador said.

Regarding his stay in China, Mr Johnson said: "China has been a second home to me. I was married here, my sons were born here, and I am leaving many friends here. Under such circumstances, one always feels one is breaking ties that are very close."

"As to the future, I am looking forward to joining my family in Washington, and later to Australia where I have been before."

Visited Australia. Mr Johnson revealed that he visited Australia in 1925 when he spent three months there on an inspection tour of the consulates. He had been in China for 12 years.

Asked about the Chinese Government's decision to send a Minister to Australia, Mr Johnson said he was looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to having a Chinese colleague with him in Australia at his new post.

The retiring Ambassador concluded by saying that he had the greatest admiration for the distinguished leadership of China during the war years, and he was fully confident of the future of China.

Hess Had Written To Duke Of Hamilton

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hands of the British security authorities and no reply was made to Hess.

The Duke had met Hess on one or two occasions before the war in connection with sporting matters in which both were interested.

Hess is alleged to have said that when the Duke was the Marquess of Douglas and Clydesdale he knew him well and that he had flown to Scotland and made his estate his objective as he had valuable information to give to the Duke.

Useful Information

This information, Hess said, would be of great use to the British in overthrowing the tyranny that now prevails in the Reich.

Hess averred that he had made the most painstaking preparations for his flight from Germany. This statement was borne out by the maps he had used for navigation, on all of which the Duke's estates were ringed in circles.

It was a tribute to Hess' capabilities as a pilot that he should arrive in Scotland and land at a point in such close proximity to his objective.

Launch Converted Without Approval

For permitting their steam launch, the Che Sang, to be playing for hire in the harbour on May 9, when the launch was in an unseaworthy and unsafe condition, Cheng Sing and Lai Fook, the joint owners, were fined \$50 each by Cmdr J. Jolly at the Marine Court this morning. They were cautioned on a second charge of having caused structural alterations to be made to the launch without the sanction of the Principal Surveyor of Ships.

The launch was deemed unseaworthy and unsafe because the apparatus for converting the launch for burning oil fuel had been fitted in a manner not approved by the Principal Surveyor of Ships.

Defendants said the launch was converted into an oil burner owing to the high cost of coal.

CHEKIANG FIGHTING REPORTS

CHUNGKING, May 14 (Central News).—Fighting south of Chuki on the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway increased in violence yesterday.

About 3,000 Japanese troops, making a thrust toward Hengshun-shih, to the east of the railway were held in check by the Chinese to the northwest of the town. Another 3,000 Japanese troops driving down the railway from Putowchen were heavily engaged at Huanan, a station to the south.

After being halted for two days, the Japanese driving southward from Tsaoai to the west of the railway called in reinforcements yesterday and advanced to Wangshassu. The Chinese retired to Fuchai, south of Wangshassu where they are holding out.

On Han River

On the east bank of the Han River in Hupoh the Chinese and Japanese are still fighting. On the morning of May 12 a Japanese unit sailing forth Fengloho, about 30 miles of Chungking, was repulsed. The Chinese wrested back Chungshoutien, south-east of Fengloho.

Chinese troops were sent in pursuit of the Japanese pushing southward from the Sianyang-Huayuan highway and on May 11 and 12 they evicted the Japanese who had entered Tangchiatien, Tapeltien and Tsinglam. The Japanese retreated to Huantamchen, northwest of Sulshien, where the Chinese are closing in.

Big Cargoes Of Petrol Apprehended

Lo Kun-yau, 46, steersman of a lighter was charged before Mr D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon Magistracy this morning with attempting to export 2,000 tins of petrol at Sulphur Channel on May 14.

Sergeant Jones said that Defendant's lighter was stopped at Sulphur Channel and the petrol was found on board. Defendant admitted that the petrol was for sale in Cheungchuan.

Another Case

For attempting to export 4,000 tins of petrol to Cheungchuan, Cheung Kau, 39, steersman of a lighter was fined \$750 by Mr Anderson.

Cheung's lighter was stopped at East Lamma Channel by a Police patrol launch on Tuesday.

Mr L. L. Kwan pleaded guilty on behalf of Defendants in both cases.

Hawkers And Cholera

Eight food-stall keepers were fined \$10 each by Mr H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon Magistracy this morning for failing to have boiling water to wash utensils, before and after use.

It was said that many cholera cases could be traced back to hawkers who failed to wash their utensils.

Juvenile Worked With Thief

Leung Ming, 25, unemployed, and a 13-year-old juvenile, were charged before Mr H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon Magistracy this morning with larceny of \$3.60 from Leung Sze, 33, married woman, at Reclamation Street near Pitt Street on Tuesday.

Sergeant Whitcroft said that about 3 p.m. on Tuesday, complainant was purchasing vegetables from a hawker and when she took out her purse for payment the juvenile came up and put her hand, knocking the purse to the ground. First Defendant then came up and grabbed the purse. An alarm was raised and Defendants were arrested by passers-by.

First Defendant was sentenced to three months' hard labour and the juvenile was remanded for 24 hours to the Juvenile Court.

Chicken Business Booms In Russia

Soviet authorities decreed recently a new system for obligatory supplying of eggs from farms to the State. The object is to stimulate poultry breeding.

The decree provides that farms must deliver at state prices three to 15 eggs yearly for each hectare (2.471 acres) of land, depending upon the fertility of the region. Such deliveries previously have been based upon the number of chickens owned instead of upon the size of the farm.

A similar rule already has been applied to meat in order to stimulate cattle-breeding.

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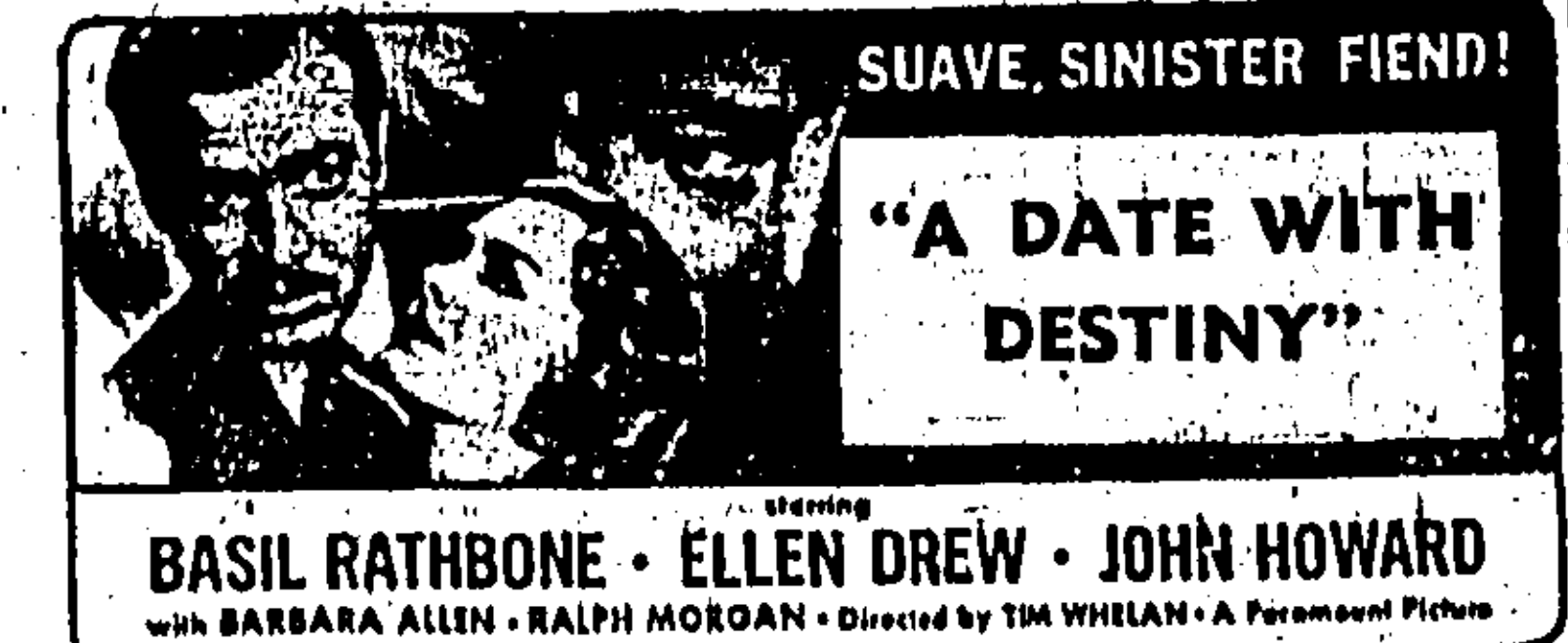
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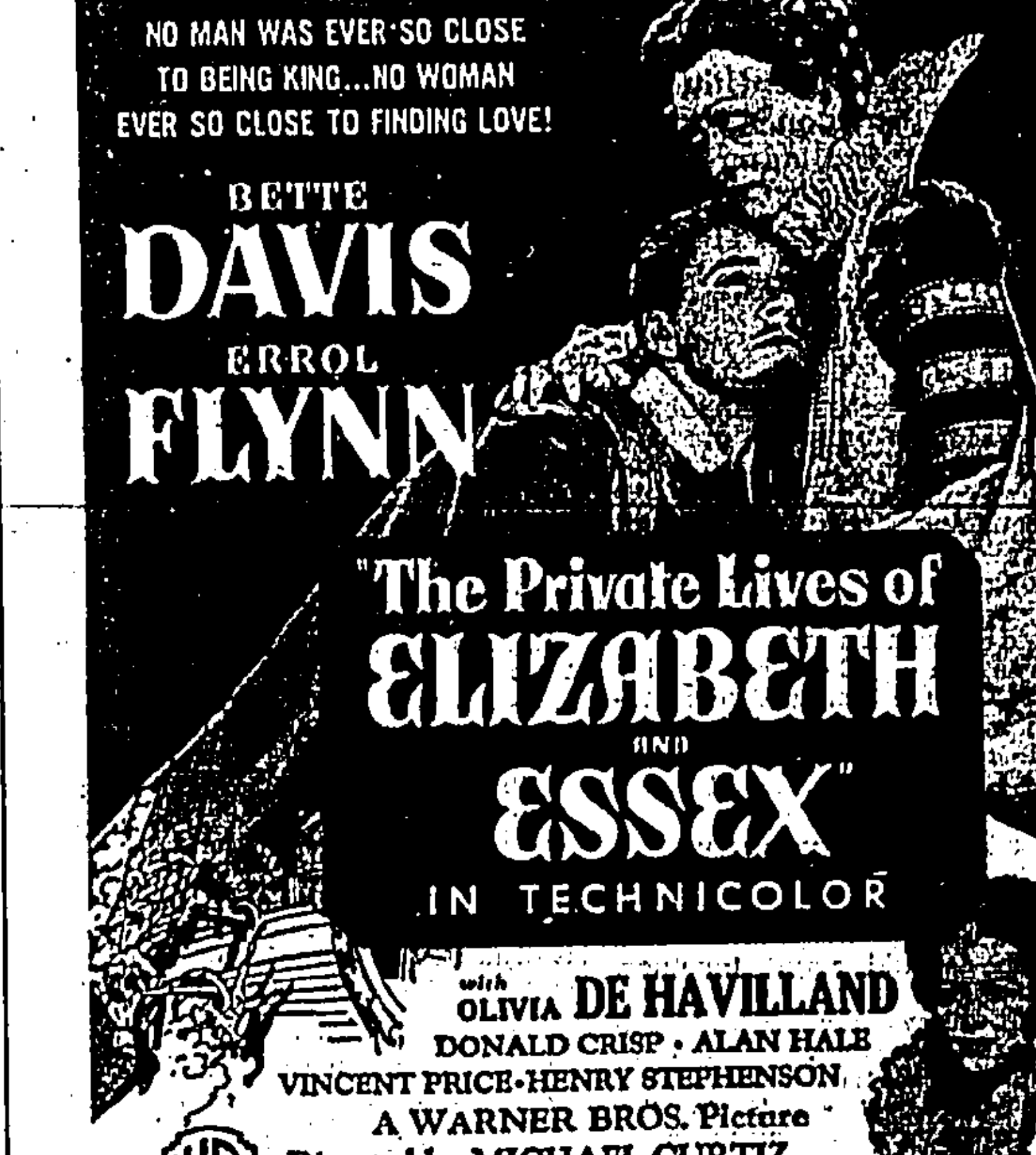
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